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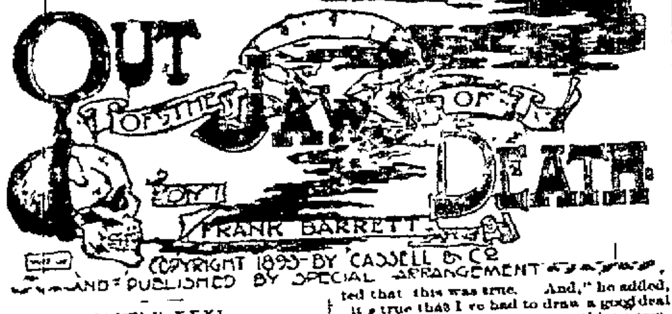

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CHAPTER XXXI

IN [illegible]

The men seized me savagely and hustled me [illegible]. There I was thrust into a small cabin, and with a few brutal words the [illegible] the door and turned the key upon me. One of them opened a small grating in the [door] and gave some order in a [illegible] Olga Chetkin, who stood with her arms akimbo regarding me. She replied with a short laugh, and then there was silence.

A rough deal table stood under the swing lamp that lit the cabin, and beside it a chair. I sat down and laying my arms on the table dropped my face in my hands, quite overcome with physical and mental exhaustion.

I had [illegible] enough for reflection [illegible] Kavanagh had deceived me. [illegible] that I should be taken away with [illegible].

But why? [illegible] answer that question.

[illegible]

[illegible] failed to exhibit [illegible] I should like to go upon [illegible]. I accepted the offer [illegible].

[illegible]

He seated himself on a coil of rope by my side and with cheerful encouragement in his voice continued:

"Don't you take it to heart, mademoiselle. It'll all come right, you'll see. If they only let us come up on deck now and then, and there's no reason to keep us down below now we're out of the river and may scream ourselves hoarse without getting an echo for reply—this police outrage will simply give us a jolly nice little holiday at the expense of the Russian government. I've thought it all out while I've been stewing down below, and it's just the certainty of turning the tables on these muddle headed meddling officials that has kept me from knocking down my jailers—or trying to at any rate—and making a dash for freedom.

"I've thought the whole thing out, and I see exactly what will happen. When we get to St. Petersburg we shall be received like princes—not Russian princes, you know. The minister will wait upon us with a thousand and one apologies, for of course he has learned already by telegraph of the blunder these fellows have made. Naturally he will try to exonerate himself, but he'll take pains to conciliate us to the utmost of his ability—no fear of that. And he will afford us every means to get out of Russia as soon as possible—that's equally certain. And home we will go by the way of Berlin and Paris, with a day or two's rest here and there to make the journey pleasant. Then one fine morning we will wake up old Taras by marching into Lambeth to the tune of 'See the Conquering Hero—and Heroine—Come.' Eh?"

"No," said I, shaking my head, "that will never be."

CHAPTER XXXII.

I CONFESS TO GORDON.

"My dear girl," remonstrated Gordon, "is any one lying ill in a stuffy cabin with nothing to breathe but yellow fog in a position to see things in anything but a gloomy light? Are you yet in a condition to form an impartial judgment on this affair? Now, if you had been pondering the matter with a clear head, as I have been doing for the past week"——

"But you don't know all the facts," I said, interrupting him.

Pulling his beard, he reluctantly admitted that this was true. "And," he added, "it's true that I've had to draw a good deal on my imagination to square things comfortably. However, we are not going to discuss the matter today. It can easily stand over till you are stronger, and then if it's necessary we'll have all the facts and make the best we may of 'em."

I assented to this proposal with a sigh, knowing that the truth must be told, but I was grateful for the delay, feeling so feeble and downhearted.

We staid upon deck until the sun sank in the golden sea, but the kind hearted fellow said not another word on the subject that obviously caused me such depressing anxiety. He knew a great deal about ships and the sea and told me many stories of his adventures in a yacht with so much humor that more than once I was forced to smile.

We were closely watched by Rudersdorf and the [old] gentleman, who, seeing by the openness of our manner that we were not hatching plots, marked their satisfaction by promising that we should come on deck the following day if the weather held fair.

The wind freshened in the night, but the sea was not rough enough to prevent my going on deck after breakfast, though I found it difficult to keep my feet under this novel condition of things.

Gordon was waiting for me at the head of the stairs in a fur jacket he had bought from one of the sailors. He had a pipe in his mouth, and his face was radiant with boyish delight.

"[illegible] you haven't been ill," said I, taking his arm to steady me.

"Oh, that's all [illegible]"

[illegible]

"I can't [illegible] how any one can be sick on the sea," I replied, looking out over the dancing waters. They seemed to me as grand in their strength as they had been beautiful in their calm repose, and the fresh air gave me new life.

He glanced at me in perplexity as he steered me across to the corner he had already prepared. We seated ourselves, and Rudersdorf [illegible] a couple of rugs and a tarpaulin [illegible] we made ourselves very snug [illegible].

"I'm a little puzzled, mademoiselle," said Gordon when Rudersdorf and his secretary had left us. "[illegible] what you said just now [illegible] would think you had never been on the sea before."

"I saw it for the first time yesterday."

"Then how in the world did you get across from Russia?" he said in amazement.

"I have never been in Russia. I fancy I was born in [illegible]. Anyway I lived there as long as I can remember and never left it till [illegible]."

"But—you speak French like a native."

His pipe [illegible] as he listened.

"That [illegible] I spoke nothing else [illegible] English [illegible] who has been educated [illegible]. Taras [illegible] me to begin a [illegible] break away from all that had [illegible]—"

"[illegible]," Gordon said, stopping me with [illegible] in his tone, "[illegible] will upset you, you know."

"No [illegible]. I'm strong now. I must tell you [illegible] the courage to tell you [illegible]. I ought to have told you the first thing, because I [had] no right to profit by your kindness until I know whether you [illegible]."

"[illegible]," Gordon ex[claimed] [illegible].

Describing him [illegible] trance, I told my story as simply as [illegible], relating all that had taken place between Kavanagh and myself [illegible] and with a desire to say [illegible] judgments.

His pipe went out [illegible] listened astonished, holding [illegible] spellbound. We looked each other straight in the eyes until I had spoken the [last] word. Then I dropped my head and [illegible] in trembling uncertainty for his verdict.

He did not leave me long in doubt as to his present feeling.

"You are a brick," [he] said, "a regular brick," and taking my hand he pressed it warmly.

"I didn't expect you to think so," said I.

"Why, you didn't think I could have any grudge against you for making me useful, do you? You have let me do no more than I should willingly have done to save old Taras if I had been asked, and if it were otherwise that would not alter my esteem for you, not a bit. It's this devotion that I admire you for. A real genuine, womanly woman, don't you know, should stick at nothing, but go bang through thick and thin for a man. Judith, I believe, would do as much for me if it came to the pinch. If not—[illegible]—well, she would be my Judith, that's all. Don't give way, little woman," he continued, seeing my lips twitch, perhaps, for his generous enthusiasm touched me greatly. "You have done all that you could do, and it's bound to turn out right. I have unbounded confidence in Kavanagh."

"Have you?" I asked hopefully.

"I should think so. Why, he's one of the [illegible], shrewdest, cleverest men in London. He's not a fool, I can tell you."

"No, I didn't think he might be that exactly, but ——"

"I see. You thought it possible that he might be something worse. Well, that's excusable, for when a man owns up to doing other people you can never feel quite sure that he isn't doing you. You see, we can't all tell the truth and hit straight out from the shoulder. Why, take this case, for example. Without lying, how could Kavanagh have circumvented the smartest police in the world—how could he have got over the minister of police and those crafty rascals and upset their villainous game?"

"Is it certain that he is deceiving them and not us?" I asked.

"Wait a bit. This wants a deuced lot of cool judgment. Let me have a pipe."

He lit his pipe and puffed out great streams of smoke before he spoke again. When he had taken three or four pulls, he said:

"But is there any fact—has anything occurred—which directly supports your suspicions? That's what I should like to get at."

"Kavanagh led me to believe that, when you were arrested, I should be free to return to Taras. Can you tell me why I was brought on board with you?"

"You would come, you know."

"But there is evidence enough that had I not come of my own accord I should have been brought here by force. From the very [illegible] it was known on board here that I was to be taken away with you."

"Hang me if I can explain that arrangement. Can you?"

"Yes. It was necessary to get rid of me."

"Why?"

"That I might not tell tales."

"But if the whole story is to come out?"

"It is not to come out," I said, with the emphasis of conviction. "He never intended that it should. If this affair were made public, inquiry would lead to the discovery of his share in it, a discovery that would be fatal to him."

"But the truth must come out at some time," he remonstrated, still with his face turned from me.

"Why, whom can we tell in Russia? Who will hear our voices when we are in Siberia?"

"But the police must learn in time, by his works, that Taras is still free."

"Is it likely that they will send you back to England to prove their fault?"

He knocked out his pipe slowly on the deck before he made any reply. Then, drawing a long breath, he said:

"Well, we shall see if you are right, mademoiselle, when we get to Russia."

"Too late," said I, with deep contrition in my heart. "I ought to have found that out before."

"Oh, my dear girl!" he cried, turning again quickly to me with the genial warmth that characterized him, "whatever turns up, you must always be held blameless. You're not the only one deceived. Here am I to justify you, led like a lamb by the man I professed to know, so no more self reproaches." Then, giving my hand a hearty shake, he added, "Are we not companions in adversity?"

CHAPTER XXXIII

WE SET OUT.

We were allowed to see each other no more until we reached St. Petersburg, and then only at a distance, as we were hurried from the train which brought us from the port into the separate carriages in which we were rattled off to prison.

In that moment Gordon waved his hand to me and smiled encouragingly, but I knew that the poor fellow, despite his sanguine temperament, could find but little ground to base hope upon.

About an hour after my arrival I was taken down to an office, where the minister of police sat at the head of a writing table. The only other persons present were Rudersdorf and the old gentleman. Their manner was obsequiously deferential toward their chief, sharp and severe toward me.

With a slight inclination of the head he told me to take a chair, and fixing his dark, penetrating eyes upon me said:

"Mademoiselle, do you deny that Taras, Prince Bornitsky, is your friend?"

"No," I replied proudly, "he is the dearest friend I have in the world." These words brought tears into my eyes so that I saw everything in a mist, but I brushed them away impetuously and met the minister's eyes firmly and with the resolve to keep my emotion down.

"Then how comes it," the minister asked, "that you have aided in bringing him here?"

"I have done no such thing. The man you have here is not Taras, but George Gordon. If you are the minister of police, you will know that when you see him."

"Assuming that this is George Gordon, why did you aid in bringing him here?"

"To save Taras from being murdered by your agent, Rudersdorf."

"Is this the first time you have endeavored to save your friend?"

"No. I have balked Kavanagh in two if not three attempts to carry him away."

"And you hoped to save Taras a fourth time by substituting George Gordon, to mislead our agents?"

"Yes."

"You thought to throw off the pursuit by making us believe that we had captured Taras?"

"Yes."

"Then why are you so anxious now to make us believe that we have not got Taras?"

"Because Kavanagh made me believe that the moment you discovered the mistake Rudersdorf would be banished in disgrace, while a public outcry would compel you to abandon any further effort to remove Taras from England."

"You are candid, at any rate," said the minister after exchanging a swift glance with Rudersdorf.

"I want you to know the whole truth."

"In that case will you be good enough to give me the particulars of the attempts made by Mr. Kavanagh to kidnap Taras?"

I narrated the events as simply as I could. When I came to an end, the minister wrote a few lines, handed the paper to Rudersdorf and rising took up his hat.

"What are you going to do with me?" I asked.

"During the inquiries which must necessarily be made to ascertain the truth of your statement you will be detained. You will be provided with every available comfort, and in consideration of the straightforward manner in which you have given information, if there is any reasonable concession I can make ——"

"George Gordon—I want to see him," said I, for I felt the need of a companion.

The chief looked grave, then, after giving some instructions to Rudersdorf, he said to me:

"You shall see him tomorrow morning," and with a slight bow left the office.

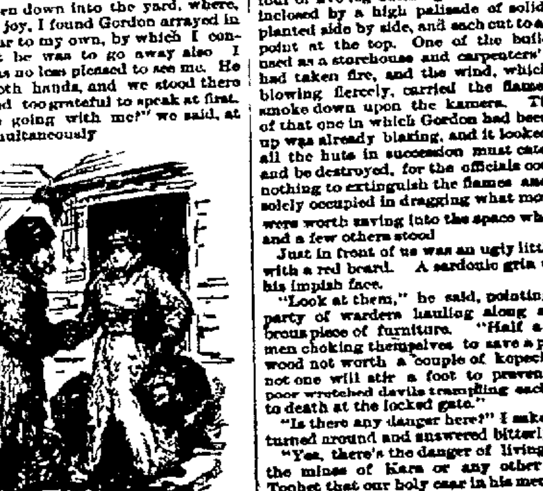
I was taken back to the cell, and as the door closed with a clang, and I looked round the four bare whitewashed walls, with their one barred window high up, showing but a few inches of leaden sky, I asked myself where was the comfort that had been promised me.

In the evening the warder brought me a bundle of thick serge clothes and a greasy sheepskin coat, telling me that I should have to wear them for my journey and that I must get up when I was called. This was the first intimation I had received that we were to be removed from St. Petersburg. The minister had spoken only of a detention. He had said that I should see Gordon the next morning, but was it only to say goodby?

Before it was light the warder entered my cell and seeing a candle on the shelf which served as a table told me I must be dressed in 10 minutes. In 10 minutes I was dressed in my ill fitting clothes, looking more like a white bear than a human creature in the great sheepskin coat, which touched the ground at my feet and was furnished with a hood and a collar band, which left nothing visible of my face except my nose and eyes. A pair of enormous boots lined with sheepskin and great fingerless gloves of the same kind added still more to the uncouthness of my appearance. The warder brought me a mug of hot tea and some dried fish and bread, and while I ate my breakfast made up the clothes I had worn into a bundle for me to take with me.

I was taken down into the yard, where, to my great joy, I found Gordon arrayed in a suit similar to my own, by which I concluded that he was to go away also. I think he was no less pleased to see me. He gave me both hands, and we stood there hand in hand too grateful to speak at first.

"You are going with me!" we said, at last and simultaneously.



"You are going with me!" we said, at last and simultaneously.

"Yes," said he, "though where we are going I can't say."

"Orkutsk, I believe."

"Orkutsk, hey? Well, that's got a sort of outlandish sound about it. But what does that matter? We shall come here again before very long, that's a certainty. I [illegible] the minister have it pretty straight, I can tell you. Threatened him with The Times and all sorts of punishment."

A sledge was brought into the yard, for the ground was already covered with snow. It was drawn by three horses, each with a bell in the arc over the saddle. Inside there was a lot of baggage and letter bags, for this, I believe, was the mail sledge. The driver arranged it so as to form a comfortable seat under the hood and gave us a couple of pillows, he himself sitting in front. When we were ready to start, a couple of mounted Cossacks came out.

"This is our bodyguard," said Gordon. "Didn't I promise you that we should be treated like princes? A prince! Wait till I've lit my pipe, and one of us, I know, will be as happy as a king."

The Cossacks, peering in at us, wore the queerest expression imaginable. Never before perhaps had they seen an exile starting out for Orkutsk with such a jovial, happy-go-lucky air as Gordon's.

"Five o'clock," said Gordon, looking at his watch as we passed under the lamp over the gates of the fortress. "They haven't taken a thing from me, though of course I was searched for incriminating papers—not a thing. That's a convincing proof that our detention was merely formal and that we are bound by nothing stronger than red tape—in fact, I don't feel like a prisoner. Do you, Sister Aura?"

It was indeed hard to realize that we were still in the iron grasp of the police when the Cossacks, falling to the rear, were out of sight. My despondent misgivings gave place to the hopeful ideas imparted by my friend, and my spirits rose under the exhilarating influences of the journey. The air, though intensely cold, was bright and clear; the stars shone sharp and bright in the sky, the snow was hard, and the horses sped along swiftly to the musical clash of the bells over their backs.

We did not stop until we reached the posthouse, where the horses were changed. There we had a very good lunch, and after the indispensable cup of tea we started afresh, quite pleased to go on.

"This is something like a journey d'agrément," said Gordon as he lit another pipe and nestled up in his corner.

"Yes, if there's nothing worse than this," said I, but not at all in a tone of misgiving.

CHAPTER XXXIV.

WE MAKE OUR ESCAPE.

It was getting dark when we overtook a train of miserable convicts marching with clanking chains along the road. About an hour later we reached the etape, where we were to stay for the night.

I had heard much of the horrors of these stations and the loathsome kameras, or sleeping places, in which the convicts were herded, and I had seen them in the collections of paintings exhibited by Taras. I was therefore astonished to find the lot but in which I passed the night so decent and habitable. It was not overcrowded. There was a rough carpet on the floor, and the only real hardship was the absence of bed and bedding, for we had to sleep on a sloping board and in our clothes.

I was much better off than my companion, who was thrust into a den built to accommodate 230 prisoners, with no less than 710 criminals of all sorts, and the horrors of that night were more, I believe, than he could make light of, for he was extremely reticent upon the subject. All that he told me was that he had found no room to lie down and had breathed a little atmosphere of his own by smoking all night.

"However," he said cheerfully, "that's all past, and I shall make up for a sleepless night by a good long snooze this afternoon—if we don't come to the end of our journey before."

We went on by another mail sledge, but with the same guard who had left St. Petersburg with us.

These two Cossacks never left us throughout our long journey, which continued without any break, save the nightly halt at a convict station, for three weeks after we had passed through Moscow. Soon after leaving that city behind us I noticed a change in poor Gordon. His spirits seemed to be losing their elasticity, his gayety to be a little forced, his pipe more necessary.

But despite the bitter reflections that must have arisen to his mind his attitude toward me displayed no sign of animosity. There was no lapse in his gentleness and tender consideration for my comfort. His kindness was unvarying. Our common misfortune, which I thought would imbitter our hearts, served only as a link of sympathy to hold us together.

Gordon still spoke hopefully, though at rare and rarer intervals, of our being recalled to St. Petersburg, but for my part I had quite abandoned the hope of any revocation of our fate when an accident occurred which gave a new turn to our fortunes.

One night I was awakened by a strange outcry of distant voices. As I turned upon the wooden platform that served as my sleeping place, the woman next to me, who had already sprung up, cried:

"Holy God, we are on fire!"

At that cry all of us slipped to the ground in a moment, with mingled exclamations of dismay.

The kamera was full of smoke—it choked us as we breathed—and through the one small casement a dull red glow fell upon us. When we perceived that it was not our kamera, but another, which was in flames, we concluded that it must be the one in which the men were confined, and shrieking the names of our friends we rushed at the door, vainly trying to break it open.

The muffled clamor of voices told us that the men were still shut up. Suddenly there was a great outburst of voices as they forced their door, and the next instant they were crying to us from the outside of our hut and beating furiously at the door which separated us. We stood back as the heavy panels creaked under the pressure of sturdy shoulders, and presently a mighty thrust burst the lock away, and the door flew back.

In the midst of the wild confusion that followed I felt my arm grasped and found Gordon by my side.

"Come along, little woman. Don't give way, there's a brick—it's all right."

Half fainting with fright and the suffocating effect of the dense smoke blowing down upon us, I staggered along by his side, past a crowd of panic stricken wretches surging about the gate of the yard in expectation of its being opened for them to escape, and then through a shower of sparks and past a roaring and crackling mass of fire into an open space, where it was possible to breathe freely and get a comprehensive idea of what was going on.

This etape, like most others, consisted of four or five log buildings of a single story, inclosed by a high palisade of solid logs, planted side by side, and each cut to a sharp point at the top. One of the buildings, used as a storehouse and carpenters' shop, had taken fire, and the wind, which was blowing fiercely, carried the flames and smoke down upon the kamera. The end of that one in which Gordon had been shut up was already blazing, and it looked as if all the huts in succession must catch fire and be destroyed, for the officials could do nothing to extinguish the flames and were solely occupied in dragging what movables were worth saving into the space where we and a few others stood.

Just in front of us was an ugly little man with a red beard. A sardonic grin was on his impish face.

"Look at them," he said, pointing to a party of warders hauling along a cumbrous piece of furniture. "Half a dozen men choking themselves to save a piece of wood not worth a couple of kopecks, and not one will stir a foot to prevent those poor wretched devils trampling each other to death at the locked gate."

"Is there any danger here?" I asked. He turned around and answered bitterly:

"Yes, there's the danger of living to see the mines of Kara or any other pit of Tophet that our holy czar in his mercy consigns us to."

Shading his eyes from the glare of the flames and looking into the smoke, he said:

"If those fools, instead of pounding each other into a jelly, would only pile themselves into a heap systematically, there would be a chance for some of us to snatch a few days' respite in the forest. Hello!" he exclaimed as a lull came in the conflict of screams and curses. "They're not such fools after all; they've got the gate off its hinges—I'm off!" And with that he disappeared into the smoke.

The wardens also discovered what had happened. Half a dozen ran across to a shed and returned with rifles in their hands. The noise at the gates was over now. The crackling of timber, the soft whirl of rising flame, an occasional thud as a beam fell—these were the only sounds that reached us for a minute or two. Then a shot was fired, and another and another—half a dozen shots perhaps, and two or three yells answered for echo.

We stood still till the warders returned, one by one, and all was still. Then Gordon, drawing closer to me, whispered:

"Shall we try?"

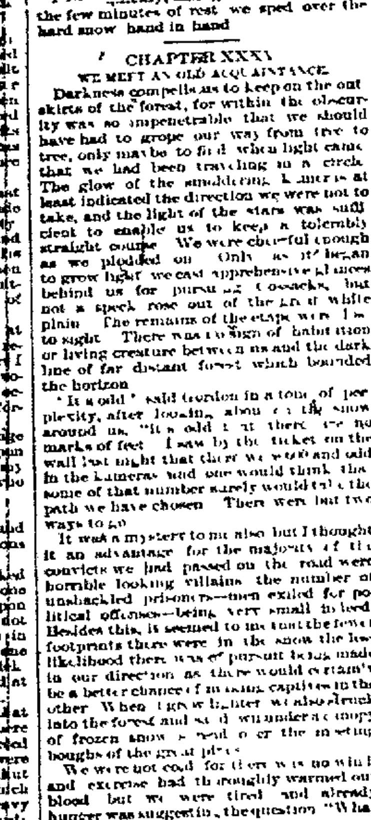
"Yes, yes—we will try," I answered eagerly, for the thought that we also might escape had just then occurred to me.

Gordon slipped down his hand and grasped mine tightly. Between us and the gateway, on which the smoke still blew down in a thick column, charged with [illegible] sparks and dropping flakes of fiery embers, stood a couple of wardens. One was carrying his rifle.

"We must make a slip behind them and make a dash for the smoke," said Gordon as we edged that way.

We waited one breathless minute, and then as a roof fell in, throwing up an eddying column of sparks, which drew off the attention of the warders, we slipped quickly behind them and rushed into the smoke.

We were seen. A voice called to us to stop, and a shot was fired after us. But we were already lost to sight. The smoke blinded us, and stumbling over the bodies of those who had been trampled to death in the frantic struggle to escape we reached the open gateway.



Stumbling over the bodies of those who had been trampled to death.

Suffocated by the smoke, I reeled and should have fallen, but Gordon, grasping my arm, forced me to bend down—for he dared not open his mouth to speak—and dragged me on. Almost unconsciously I staggered on until at length we got air to breathe and saw the plain stretching out all red in the light from the fire, to the dark line of the forest trees.

We waited there until another fall of roof or walls within the palisades caused a sudden drop in the brightness of the light.

"Now's the time," whispered Gordon, springing to his feet. "I can't see those fellows, nor they us. If this only lasts a couple of minutes, we may get out of their range."

I rose quickly, and greatly restored by the few minutes of rest we sped over the hard snow hand in hand.

CHAPTER XXXV.

WE MEET AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE.

Darkness compelled us to keep on the outskirts of the forest, for within the obscurity was so impenetrable that we should have had to grope our way from tree to tree, only maybe to find when light came that we had been traveling in a circle. The glow of the smoldering kameras at least indicated the direction we were not to take, and the light of the stars was sufficient to enable us to keep a tolerably straight course. We were cheerful enough as we plodded on. Only as it began to grow light we cast apprehensive glances behind us for pursuing Cossacks, but not a speck rose out of the great white plain. The remains of the etape were lost to sight. There was no sign of habitation or living creature between us and the dark line of far distant forest which bounded the horizon.

"It's odd," said Gordon in a tone of perplexity, after looking about on the snow around us, "it's odd that there are no marks of feet. I saw by the ticket on the wall last night that there were [illegible] and odd in the kameras, and one would think that some of that number surely would take the path we have chosen. There were but two ways to go."

It was a mystery to me also, but I thought it an advantage, for the majority of the convicts we had passed on the road were horrible looking villains, the number of unshackled prisoners—men exiled for political offenses—being very small indeed. Besides this, it seemed to me that the fewer footprints there were in the snow the less likelihood there was of pursuit being made in our direction, as there would certainly be a better chance of making captives in the other. When it grew lighter we also struck into the forest and sped on under a canopy of frozen snow spread over the interlacing boughs of the great pines.

We were not cold, for there was no wind, and exercise had thoroughly warmed our blood, but we were tired, and already hunger was suggesting the question, "What are we to eat?"

But we said nothing on the subject for some time, fearing to betray our own misgivings. At length Gordon, after looking round him in silence, said:

"Awfully quiet in here, isn't it?"

I nodded, looking around me also. Indeed the stillness was, in the true sense of the word, awful.

"I can't see a living thing anywhere," he continued, "and yet there must be, you know."

"Taras told me there were wolves in the forests. Are they good to eat?"

"Well, I've never tried 'em," he answered evasively, concealing whatever disagreeable reflections this question may have suggested, "but one thing is certain, they wouldn't exist if there were nothing for them to eat. If we could knock over a rabbit now, or even an old crow, we could soon make a fire to cook him, and then we should be as right as rain."

He had mechanically filled his pipe and was now about to light it. He stopped, and I saw him ruefully counting the small number of vestas that remained in his box. When they were gone, there would be no more smoking.

"I say, do you think you could smoke a cigarette?" he asked hopefully. "Baccy's a wonderful comfort at all times, but when you're a bit pinched, you know"——

He pulled out his tobacco pouch temptingly. I told him I would rather not try it yet awhile.

"I think I shall enjoy it more presently," said he, putting his pipe in his pocket.

Then I noticed by the limpness of his pouch as he put that away that his tobacco was nearly all gone.

When we began to feel chilly, we walked on again, keeping under the trees with the hope of finding some animal that might serve us for food, the snowdrift that edged the wood being our guide.

Gordon had provided himself with a stout stick, but we saw no sign of living creature the whole day, and the only thing we found to eat was some frozen moss and a leathery kind of lichen. On and on we went, skirting the edge of the plain, through the interminable forest, until the light began to fade, then we went out and looked beyond the drift. The boundless plain, with the edging of black pines, was all we saw—nothing else.

"We must think now of making ourselves comfortable for the night," [illegible] Gordon as we reëntered the forest. "[illegible] will have a good fire at any rate."

Fuel was not wanting. The edge of the wood was strewn with broken wood [illegible] torn from the trees by the gales that swept across the plain, or broken down in bygone winters by the weight of ice and snow. [illegible] collected a great heap, and having [illegible] foundation of our fire Gordon, with infinite care, struck one of his precious [illegible] and lit the pile of dry leaves and [illegible]. I knew then why he had refrained from smoking all day. Our lives depended on those vestas, for if they gave out before we could get a fresh supply we must freeze to death.

As soon as the fire was well alight we scraped a narrow trench, [illegible] long, in the thick bed of fir needles under the fire, and framing a kind of roof over it with pine branches [illegible] and rubbish of all kinds on top so as to exclude the cold air. We both worked with a will, leaving off now and then to put fresh fuel on the fire, and when it was finished felt very well satisfied with our [illegible].

"Now," said Gordon when we had put the finishing touch to the roof, "[illegible] side, mademoiselle, and see if you can [illegible] few hours' sleep."

"But we have got to make [illegible] for you," said I.

"No, one will serve us, for [illegible] turn about. It won't do to let the fire go down, you know"—it was in this way he disguised his fear of attack by wolves—"and I promise you to take my full share of rest as soon as you have had yours."

I crept into the trench, and stretching myself out at full length found that the springy fir needles made a better bed than the hard planks of the kamera. It was pleasantly warm too, with the heat thrown out by the fire.

Gordon seated himself at the opening, with his heavy stick beside him, and with a deep sigh of satisfaction lit the [illegible] pipe of the day. It was good to see the joy of contentment in his face as he slowly smoked, letting the clouds issue slowly from his lips and the long flame of the fire [illegible] hunger I had no reason to complain, but a good deal to be thankful for.

It was not long before I dropped off, and I slept soundly, so it seemed to me, for a [illegible]. But when I awoke Gordon declared that it was not yet time to think about changing the watch; so, not unwillingly, but perhaps selfishly, I dropped off again.

I awoke a second time to find him still patiently sitting on guard at my feet, but he gave me the same answer and would not permit me to take his place. And when, after a third spell of sleep, he allowed me to come out, I saw by the gray light between the trees that the night was past. Then, having piled more wood on the fire, and handed his stick over to me with instructions to give him a crack over the toes with it if I heard the slightest sounds or detected any movement in the surrounding trees, he crawled into the trench, and in a few minutes was snoring sonorously.

In a couple of hours he came out, protesting that he could sleep no longer, and, having nothing to detain us, we recommenced our onward march.

I have no need to dwell on this part of my history, and further testimony to the patient courage, generosity and unselfish kindness of [illegible] Gordon is unnecessary, and [illegible] occurred to break the terrible monotony of our journey through the dreary forest until the fourth day of our escape. In the afternoon of that day we came upon a road cut through the forest and [illegible] upon the plain. This discovery threw us into a state of intense excitement. It was like a vision of water in the desert.

Not a soul was in sight, but there were marks of sledge runners in the snow which had fallen the day before.

"It's not a main road—that is evident by its narrowness," said Gordon, grasping my hand.

"What shall we do?" I asked, trembling violently.

"If it only leads to a farm, we're all right. No one would be so inhuman as to refuse us food, seeing how pinched and done up we are. If, on the other hand, it leads to a town—why, then we stand a good chance of being made prisoners again. What do you say to stopping here while I go on and reconnoiter?"

"No. If you go on, I will go with you."

"And hope for the best," he added sturdily, pressing my arm to his side and stepping out.

The road seemed as endless and deserted as the forest itself. Then, leaning more and more heavily on Gordon's arm, I [illegible] until my companion, seeing that my strength was well nigh spent, said:

"I'm done up, my dear girl. Let us stop for the night. We can dream of having a good supper—[illegible] will be some satisfaction—and [illegible] tomorrow we'll realise our dream."

"If we could only creep into sleep and never wake again," I murmured faintly.

[illegible]

We made our [illegible] preparations for the night.

"O[illegible] more," said Gordon, closing his box after taking out a match to light the fire.

We sat down on the windward side of the blazing sticks [illegible]

[illegible]

"Ivan Dontremember," the man replied in tolerable English. "You've seen me before [illegible]?"

As he spoke he pushed back his hood and [illegible] face, and perfectly bald. I recognized him as the man who had stood beside us by the burning kamera.

"You've chosen an odd place for your fire," he said with another chuckle, as he threw down his sack carefully and seated himself on it. "One can see you are novices. An old hand at this sort of thing—one of the large family of Dontremembers, for instance—would have taken the precaution to see whether the smoke would blow into the road or not before lighting up. But perhaps you are tired of liberty and some food. Are you?"

"Why do you ask?" Gordon demanded.

"Because your smoke is blowing straight down, and the posthouse is not 100 yards distant. The man there has orders to take prisoner or shoot any refugee that comes within his reach."

CHAPTER XXXVI.

FREEDOM AT A RUBLE A DAY.

"You seem to treat the danger pretty lightly," said Gordon. "Perhaps you are tired of liberty?"

"Not a bit of it. I have just bought freedom for three days at the rate of a ruble a day, and here it is," said Ivan Dontremember, striking the sack on which he sat.

"What have you got there?" Gordon asked eagerly.

"Freedom, I tell you, for three days. It's indispensable. How long do you think you are going to keep up on fir cones? Twelve hours at the outside, I should say, by the look of madam."

"What have you got in the sack, I ask?" Gordon repeated savagely.

"Bread, and I'll guard it as I would my life," Ivan Dontremember answered, catching the gleam of desperation which lit my eyes as well as Gordon's.

"We are starving; we have eaten nothing for four days. You must give us some."

"You can get as much as you want at the post. [illegible] I must keep his prisoners alive till the patrol comes round to collect them. Why should I shorten my term of freedom to prolong yours?"

Gordon [illegible]. "Shall we go on?"

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SALUTATORY.

With this week's issue, the MINER greets its many patrons and friends under a new management. Having purchased the office, plant fixtures and good will of the late proprietors, we begin our journalistic career in McKean county under the Republican banner of success and prosperity.

It is our intention to issue a live local paper, giving each week a full chronicle of the important events in both town and county. During the year we propose to introduce many new features in the general make-up of the paper, which is already one of the leading and most influential publications in the county.

Politically, the MINER will continue under the new management in the same heretofore successful path of Republicanism. As it has always been the leading Republican organ in the county we shall endeavor to maintain those high principles which our predecessors have so ably advocated, and thereby merit the support of the party and the confidence of the community. We shall strive to discuss the leading political and local questions of the day with fairness and intrepidity.

We beg the indulgence of our patrons for our first issue. It is not what we would have it, but it is the best we could do under the circumstances. But as we become better acquainted with our office and the community we trust we will be able to give our numerous readers a paper that will be a credit to the cultured people of McKean county and worthy of its already appreciated success.

We are proud to join the newspaper fraternity of this county and solicit a continuance of the patronage which the MINER has abundantly enjoyed in the past.

To our brothers of the quill here's our [illegible] and introduction.

HONORED WM. MCKINLEY's great victory in Ohio means the election of a President in '96 who will stand on a platform for protection.

PATTI who is making her tenth annual farewell tour in America is dear to the hearts of the American people. It costs just $10 a seat to hear her sing.

ADMIRAL MELLO might be of assistance to President Cleveland in the monarchy making business if Queen Lil really desires to sit upon the throne of Democracy.

EX-PRESIDENT HARRISON wisely says: "I have nothing whatever to regret or deprecate in my connections with the Hawaiian affair and nothing to say concerning the feelings of others."

HAWAII though small in area is an elephant on the hands of the Democratic administration. The people are anxiously awaiting further light on the subject which the President is supposed to have in his possession. In the mean time Minister Willis and Queen Lil can enjoy a social game of "seven-up."

THE Democratic tariff schedule is rapidly nearing completion, and will be submitted to Congress in the early part of the regular session. Following an Oriental custom, we would suggest that a couple dozen tongue-scrapers be ordered for Stewart, Peffer and Allen. Their silver-tongued eloquence will not be needed for the protection of American industries.

A REV. MR. WARNER of Springfield, Ohio, entertained his congregation last Sunday evening by doing the three card monte act in the pulpit, as an illustration to his sermon on gambling. Reports say he handled the cards with as much cleverness as a bunco man. This may be a sensational advertisement for the reverend gentleman, but we fail to see the theology of the same. Parkhurst, Warner & Co., may yet be the name of a sensational combine.

COL. L. ROGERS, the able editor of the MINER for many years, is now devoting his attention to the Kane Republican. Mr. Rogers is a talented newspaper man and an influential citizen. We predict that the already popular and newsy publication at Kane will prosper greatly under his personal direction. He is a forcible writer and well versed in the affairs of county and State. Mr. Rogers has the best wishes of the MINER for his continued and merited success in the journalistic field in which he has so faithfully labored during past years. Smethport's loss of so valuable a man will be a great gain to the people of Kane.

THE gale which has been blowing over England since Friday night of last week has spread to Germany, France and contiguous continental countries. From all points come reports of loss of life and property. Heavy snow storms in England have greatly impeded travel, in some cases trains being unable to penetrate the drifts, which have formed as high as 12 feet. A number of trains were necessarily abandoned on this account. Hundreds of lives have been lost in the gale and much property destroyed. Additional reports of disasters at sea continue to come. Seafaring men say they never saw such a storm before.

Prendergast objects; and says: "I want to acknowledge the commission of the crime and plead and prove justification. I'm not insane and am very much displeased with the idea of entertaining the plea of insanity." A man who is sane enough to hunt his victim for days in order to kill him is rational enough to swing. Spare not the rope.

THE great strike on the Lehigh Valley railroad, at present, is furnishing the daily press with columns of reading matter. The facts in the case seem to be as follows. The officers of the railroad will not recognize the organized labor unions. They say if any man has a grievance he shall make his complaint and he will be dealt with fairly but the men say that their grievance is not of a personal character but one affecting their organization, inasmuch as they demand recognition as a body. This the railroad officials refused. The strike followed and the end will be looked for with great interest.

THE Washington correspondent of the Democratic Philadelphia *Record*, says: "President Cleveland is a Democrat, and therefore naturally regrets the defeat of the Democratic party generally, and is gratified by the victory in Virginia, especially by the election of his friend, Col. O'Ferrall, as Governor. He feels personal regret, also, over the defeat of his friend, John E. Russell, in Massachusetts. But he feels no regret whatever at the defeat of Maynard in New York State, nor of the rings in Brooklyn and Buffalo, nor of the race track element in New Jersey while he rejoices at the election of Judge Gary in Chicago."

THE General Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal church which met in Minneapolis on Thursday of last week decided upon $1,150,000 as the total to be appropriated for the work of domestic and foreign missions for the ensuing year. Before this was done Bishop Walden said that it would not be well to go ahead in the matter of appropriation until after the presidential election. "I do not believe that the times will improve until the next President is elected. (Applause.) I do not know whether we had a poll ter on Tuesday (loud hand clapping) but I trust we did." This was greeted with prolonged applause.

THE present publishers of the MINER are in sympathy with the county pedagogues and, therefore extend to them the use of our columns to discuss educational matters. We would be glad to see the more energetic principals of schools of McKean County take an active interest in this matter, and send us all school items of interest. The schools are at the foundation of our liberty and their influence is far reaching in any community. The MINER finds its way in the homes of many of the teachers in this county and all contributions about our schools will be cheerfully published.

THE New York *World* says that since the VanAlen and Roosevelt select the Administration will ask all applicants for positions the following questions: "Have you a grandfather? Are you on speaking terms with Ward McAllister? Have you a cottage at Newport in which to entertain the President's wife? Have you carefully abstained from voting? Did you subscribe three times the amount of the salary of the office to the Democratic campaign fund? Do you despise politics and politicians? Do you scorn America and pine for Dukes and Duchesses?" If the candidate answers yes, to all these questions the President will consider his claims.

EX-SECRETARY of the Treasury, Jeremiah Rusk died at his home in Viroqua, Wisconsin, last Tuesday morning from inflammation of the prostrate gland. Few men have held as many offices of public trust as Gen. Rusk. Up to war times he had served in many local offices, was a member of the Assembly in 1862 and during the summer following was commissioned Major of the 25th Wisconsin of which regiment he afterwards became Colonel, and at the close of the war was commissioned Brevet Brigadier General. In 1866 he was Bank Comptroller and was elected a member of the 42d, 43d and 44th Congresses, was tendered by President Garfield the mission to Paraguay and Uruguay, the mission to Denmark and the chief of the Bureau of Printing and Engraving, all of which he declined. He was elected Governor of Wisconsin in 1881 and served for three terms, a distinction never accorded to any citizen of the state, with the exception of Gen. Lucius Fairchild. When Gen. Harrison became President in 1889 he called Gov. Rusk into his Cabinet as Secretary of Agriculture.

THE TARIFF MUST BE SETTLED FIRST

A correspondent signing himself a "Kensington Sufferer" writes to the *Inquirer* to know why it is that the mills are not opening. He says that the voters of Pennsylvania were urged to give a great Republican majority for protection and employment, and that while the majority has come, work has not come with it. We suspect that the "Sufferer" is a tariff reformer, which fully explains his inability or his unwillingness to understand the situation. The blindest persons are those who will not see.

Pennsylvania was urged to give a mighty protest against radical revision of the tariff and it responded nobly. So did Ohio and Massachusetts and Iowa and other states. The majorities could not open the mills, nor will the mills open to their full capacity until the tariff policy is settled. It is the fear of change that keeps them closed. If the Democratic Ways and Means Committee would announce to the country that there would be no change for at least two years there would be plenty of work. It is the uncertainty that is killing.

The way to bring good times is to turn out the free traders and give the the mills a chance. The recent election was notice that the people are awake to the condition of affairs and that they will resent any monkeying with the tariff. If the protests of election day are not heeded, the Congressional elections next November will revolution the House and restore a Republican majority.

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paper may make itself a public benefactor by printing truth in an interesting form, enlarging the influence while it brightens the lives of its readers; by pointing out the advantages of an intelligent and progressive policy in the management of public affairs, and criticising, with praise or blame as they from time to time deserve, but always with knowledge and sincerity, the conduct of those who administer its government and take the lead in the public business, by studying the charms, attractions and advantages, as well as the interests of the community, in order to advertise and promote them.

The other class of newspapers, the pestilent, care nothing for the truth or falsity of what they print, so long as it is marketable without being indictable. They seek the jewel of a sensation in the gutters of scandal in order that the smell may draw the custom of the base and vulgar. Concerning the administration of local public affairs they study to know nothing, reducing ignorance to a system in order that mercenary malice may run unhobbled by the knowledge of a fact. They consider any proposition of public policy with the calculating observation of a hen in a garden. It is enough for any man to become a candidate for public office, or win prominence in his party, to make him the text of their jeers and the target of their vilification, and to this congenial business they invite the small fellowship of the envious, the back-biting and the slanderous, who bear the common brand of "well-known citizens who do not desire their names to be used."

So far and wide as they have circulation they spread the reputation of their city as one which only needs a wall and turnkeys to make it a first class penal colony, and not content with that when hard times come upon it and there is need of heart and mutual encouragement and helpfulness, they take thought only to make a profitable sensation out of it, by picturing starvation as the common condition of the people, and pauperism their only hope.—Pittsburg *Times*.

TO RIVAL CARNEGIE'S.

The Standard Oil Company to Build an Immense Steel Plant.

PITTSBURG, Nov. 17.—The "Commercial *Gazette*" says that developments of the last few days confirm the report that the Standard Oil Company Company is preparing to engage in the manufacture of steel on a gigantic scale and out do the Carnegies and all other concerns of the country.

Thomas S. Blair, Jr., of this city, Chas. Adams, of St. Louis, Chas. De Pauw of New Albany, Ind., and other capitalists of Denver, Cleveland and Kentucky are now in Cleveland negotiating with John D. Rockefeller and others prominently connected with the Standard Oil Company, to use a new process of steel making by which it is claimed steel can be made directly from the ore, at the proportion of one part pig to three parts ore, thus saving 75 per cent. of the fuel cost of steel production. It is proposed to sell the rights, or obtain the backing of the Standard in the scheme. A plant would be built at one of the lake ports.

AMONG THE TEACHERS.

A Lively Local Institute and Pretty School Ma'ams at Rixford.

A most interesting local Teachers' Institute was held in Rixford last Saturday. Prof. L. W. Barton called the session to order promptly at 1.30 p. m., and Miss Florence Walker of Duke Centre was the first to entertain the audience by reading an excellent paper entitled, "Physiology." She said: "Physiology should be taught objectively as far as possible; any method employed should be adapted to the age and advancement of pupils." The paper was discussed by Profs. Cooper of Gilmore, Shadman of Duke Centre, Mrs. Hockenberry of Summit City, Misses Cummings and Smith of Rixford.

Mrs. M. J. Thornton next read a paper, "Facts on Weed Worms." In substance her argument was as follows: That from the records of Yale College during the past eight years it is shown that the non-smokers were 20 per cent. taller than the smokers, 25 per cent. heavier, and had 66 per cent. more lung capacity. That 21 states and the District of Columbia have passed laws forbidding the sale of tobacco to minors of various ages.

Miss Lettie A. Owens of Duke Centre was then read an able paper on the subject of Geography.

After a beautiful rendition of "Bridget as a School Ma'am," by Lottie Sage, a paper on primary Penmanship was read by Miss Lucy M. Nutting, in which she thought that the first principle of script letters should be taught to a child as soon as he or she enters school. That was as soon as a child was old enough to learn to read or to write. Some states for the first three years. Do not let a child think writing is difficult. The question "Is it well to allow pupils to write with the left hand?" was asked. A spirited discussion then took place in which all the teachers and school directors took part. Prof. Barton said that a person who writes with the left hand is always in his own way, and it is best to insist upon a pupil writing with the right hand unless they are in the advance grades.

Prof. Barton in his usual pleasant style gave an excellent discourse on the "Advantages of Local Institutes." Among others things, he said: "If we labor with zeal our local institutes will be a success and proved highly beneficial. That there is more practical good derived from our local institutes than we can possibly obtain at the county institute, because all the subjects here presented are taught in every school graded or ungraded."

Prof. Cooper said that the instructors at the county institutes being specialists along their line of talk are very apt to shoot over the heads of the teachers. We must prepare ourselves to do better work each year if we expect to hold our positions.

After Mr Mitchell had expressed his approval of the local institutes, Mr. Singleton of Duke Centre discussed the subject of History. He divided history in three parts "settlements, wars and presidents." Prof Barton said in response to a question, that he never taught history two years alike.

This term he has erratic methods in connection with topical outlines, etc., to help pupils remember the principal events. He thought there was nothing that aroused enthusiasm and patriotism, as history when correctly taught.

The paper on devotional exercises read by Mrs. Hockenberry of Summit city caused an interesting and animated discussion among several of the teachers, and at the request of Mr. Mitchell the subject will be more thoroughly discussed at the next meeting of the institute which meets at Summit City, Saturday Dec. 16, 1893.

Miss Minnie Hanna then gave an excellently rendered recitation entitled "The Christening."

This concluded the interesting programme.

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The mouse ran up the clock
Of her pretty silk stocking
Without even knocking,
And gave her a terrible shock.

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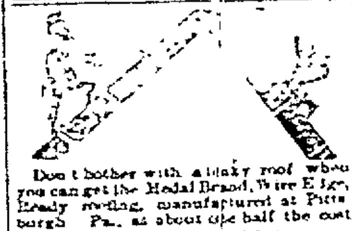

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Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Frank Pullman, defendant, Albina J. Knapp (now Albina J. Spencer), and [illegible] Roberts, assignee of F. Pullman, terre tenants, at the suit of Benj. H. Lamphier, now for use of Walter H. Archibald.

E. R. Mayo, plaintiff's attorney.

2.

Defendant's interest in all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in the City of Bradford, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, described as follows: Known as lot [illegible] of C. S. Brimmer's lots on Congress street in Bradford city, as per map and survey of F. M. Webster, Nov. 1886, said maps being now on file in the Recorder's office in Smethport, Pa., in deed book 56 at page 250, said lot being 50 feet front on Congress street and running back to the West Branch of the Tuna Creek. Having situate thereon one frame dwelling house and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of Charles S. Embody, at the suit of The National Saving and Loan Association.

[illegible], plaintiff's attorney.

3.

Defendant's interest in all that certain tract, piece, parcel or lot of land in Hamlin township, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, lying [illegible] on Kane street, in the village of Mount Jewett, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post the northeast corner of lot [illegible] (hereby) the south side of Kane street (thirty feet from the center thereof) north sixty three degrees thirty minutes east fifty feet to a post, thence by lot 32 south twenty six degrees thirty minutes east one hundred fifty feet to a post, thence south sixty three degrees thirty minutes west seventy feet, thence on a straight course to the place of beginning. Containing nine thousand square feet more or less. Being part of Warrant [illegible] [illegible], in deed book [illegible] page [illegible], and subject to all the reservations in said deed contained.

Also—All that certain other piece, parcel or lot of land situate in the township, county and state aforesaid, bounded and described as follows: Being about fifty feet front on Kane street, in the village of Mount Jewett and running back therefrom one hundred and fifty feet and adjoining the above described lot on the east, being the same lot contracted to be sold by Elizabeth Kane to L. A. Grist and same lot on which the barns of said L. A. Grist now stand. Having situate thereon one large two story and basement frame hotel building and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Emma Ann Grist and L. A. Grist her husband, at the suit of Daniel H. [illegible]

J. W. [illegible], plaintiff's attorney.

4.

Defendant's interest in all that certain lot of land situate in the township of Bradford, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: [illegible] [illegible] George T. Keith [illegible] [illegible] Washington street [illegible] [illegible]

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of [illegible]

M. H. Byles, plaintiff's attorney.

5.

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece, parcel and lot of land in the borough of Kane, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, part of warrant No. [illegible], being lot No. [illegible] Haines street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a post in the north line of Haines street, three hundred feet [illegible] from the northeast corner of Haines and [illegible] street, thence [illegible] [illegible]

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] plaintiff's attorney.

[illegible]

Defendant's interest in all that certain [illegible] [illegible]

Defendant's interest in all that certain [illegible] [illegible] thence north [illegible] degrees [illegible] minutes east [illegible] to a post and stones, thence south [illegible] degrees west [illegible] rods to a post and stones, thence along the tract line [illegible] to the place of beginning. Containing [illegible] acres of land more or less. Excepting and reserving from the operation of this grant [illegible] [illegible] John J. Carter recorded in deed book [illegible] [illegible]

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Albert H. [illegible] and [illegible] at the suit of John J. Carter.

Chas. [illegible] Carter, plaintiff's attorney.

[illegible]

Defendant's interest in all that certain piece of land situate in the city of Bradford, McKean county and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a post distant southerly on the west side of Maplewood Ave one hundred and ten (110) feet from the southwest corner of Maplewood Ave and Forest streets, thence westerly one hundred and twenty five (125) feet, thence southerly and parallel with Maplewood Ave, thirty (30) feet to a point, thence easterly one hundred and twenty five (125) feet to a point, thence northerly along the west line of Maplewood Ave thirty (30) feet to the place of beginning being lot No. [illegible] of Maplewood Ave. addition to the Second Ward of Bradford city as mapped and surveyed and platted by F. M. Webster, surveyor [illegible] said map being recorded in the Recorder's Office at Smethport, Penna. in deed book Vol. 67 page 581, etc. on the 22nd day of July 1886. The above grant is made subject to lease for oil purposes from Ruby N. Kingsbury to A. F. Taylor dated August 3, 1875, and the oil and mineral right in and to the above described land is hereby reserved to F. A. Newell his heirs, executors, administrators and assigns. Being the same land conveyed to H. W. Edgett by F. A. Newell, June 10th, 1886, and recorded in the Recorder's Office of McKean county in deed book Vol. 84, page 581, etc. Which premises became vested in first party by virtue of various mesne conveyances with all and singular the appurtenances, and having thereon erected one one story frame dwelling house and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of John W. McCoy, at the suit of [illegible]

M. M. Byles, plaintiff's attorney.

[illegible] thence easterly and at right angles to said Mechanic Street ninety-two and seventy-five one-hundredths (92.75) feet to a post; thence northerly and parallel with said Mechanic street sixty (60) feet to an iron post in the south line of Walker street; thence westerly and along said south line of Walker street ninety-two and seventy-five one-hundredths (92.75) feet to the place of beginning. Being lots Nos. forty-five (45) and forty-six (46) on map of Peter T. Kennedy's mill lot lands as surveyed by George T. Keith, surveyor, April 1879 and the same land conveyed by James K. Blair and wife to A. M. Hall by deed dated October 5th, 1888, recorded in Book of Mortgages 7, page 376, having situate thereon one two-story double frame dwelling house and out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of Adaline M. Hall and Charles W. Hall at the suit of Chicago Universal Investment and Loan Association of Chicago, Illinois, a corporation duly organized and doing business under the laws of the state of Illinois.

F. W. Hastings, plaintiff's attorney.

10.

Defendant's interest in all that parcel of land situate in the State of Pennsylvania and county of McKean. Beginning at a point in the centre of the road on the north line of land of W. J. Christman and the south line of land formerly occupied by M. Tarsted, thence by said line north 80 degrees west 8.2 perches to the bank of the Allegheny river, thence by the bank of said river north 10 degrees east 21.6 perches, thence south 77 degrees east 4.7 perches to a post, thence north 27½ degrees east 8.7 perches to the centre of the public road, thence by centre of said road south 10½ degrees west 28.8 perches to place of beginning. Containing 1 54-100 acres in warrant No. 87, Eldred township. Improved and having thereon two boilers in about [illegible]

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of M. Warner at the suit of W. J. Christman.

E. R. Mayo, plaintiff's attorney.

11.

Defendants' interest in a lot of land situate in the township of Norwich, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, and described as follows viz: Being part of warrant 2369, and bounded as follows: Beginning at an original hemlock being the southwest corner of warrant and thence north on west line of same two hundred and fifteen (215) rods to post corner, thence west three hundred and forty (340) rods to post corner, thence south two hundred and fifteen (215) rods to post corner in north line of warrant 2369, thence east on same three hundred and forty (340) rods to place of beginning. Containing four hundred and fifty-six and [illegible] tenths (456[illegible]) acres and having thereon two two story houses and about 25 young fruit trees, about 30 acres cleared.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of John Smith, Charles F. Hills at the suit of The Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives and Granting Annuities, Executor of the will of John J. Ridgway, deceased.

John N. Apple, plaintiff's attorney.

12.

Defendants' interest in all that certain piece, parcel or lot of land situate, lying and being in Foster township, McKean county and State of Pennsylvania, and bounded and described as follows, to-wit: On the north by land formerly of J. H. Dingman and others, on the east by land formerly of M. A. Chamberlain, south by south line of warrant No. 3321, and on the west by land formerly of S. Davis. Containing fifty acres of land more or less in warrant No. 3321 and being the same land conveyed to Jerry Frederick by P. J. Chamberlain and wife by deed dated [illegible] [illegible], recorded in the Recorder's Office in and for McKean county, May 10, 1884, in deed book No. 49 page 119, etc., and having thereon [illegible] three (3) board dwelling houses and about 20 acres improved.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of George M. Hayes at the suit of William Nolan, executor of the last will and testament of Jeremiah Frederick, deceased, at [illegible]

W. A. Chapman, plaintiff's attorney.

13.

Defendant's interest in all that certain tract or parcel of land situate in the city of Bradford, county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, known as lot No. [illegible] of the [illegible] part of [illegible] Whitney & Wheeler [illegible] as per survey and plot [illegible] and map of survey being recorded in deed book [illegible] in the Recorder's Office at Smethport, said county of McKean, bounded and described as follows to wit: Beginning at the southwest corner of said lot No. [illegible], thence [illegible] along the line of [illegible] street [illegible] [illegible] and having thereon one frame dwelling house and usual out buildings.

Seized, taken in execution, and will be sold as the property of [illegible] Frank, at the suit of [illegible]

[illegible], plaintiff's attorney.

14.

[illegible] [illegible] warrant No. [illegible] [illegible] acres more or less [illegible]

Also—The undivided one half of all that certain [illegible] county of McKean and State of Pennsylvania being the north [illegible] [illegible]

WALTER GRUBB, Sheriff.
Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa., Nov. [illegible] 1893.

Notice.

THE FOLLOWING ACCOUNTS HAVE [illegible] [illegible] will be presented for [illegible] at the Orphans' Court [illegible] in and for the county of McKean [illegible] [illegible] day of December, A. D. 1893.

First and final account of [illegible], Administrator of the estate of [illegible], deceased.

First and final account of Gilbert [illegible] [illegible] of the estate of [illegible], deceased.

First and final account of J. M. [illegible], [illegible] of the estate of Mrs. J. W. [illegible], deceased.

First and final account of C. Melvin, Administrator of the estate of [illegible] Melvin, deceased.

First and final account of [illegible] [illegible] of the estate of [illegible], deceased.

First and final account of [illegible] H. Reynolds, Administrator of the estate of [illegible] Reynolds, deceased.

[illegible] of Nathan R. Bard, guardian of [illegible] Barrett, minor child of [illegible] Barrett, deceased.

First and final account of [illegible] King, guardian of Mary W. [illegible], minor child.

J. S. MCELROY, Register.
H. M. [illegible], Deputy.

Smethport, Pa., Nov. 14, 1893.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. [illegible] Term 1893.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONWEALTH of Pennsylvania to the sheriff of said county greeting:

Whereas, H[illegible] on the 27th [illegible] of February 1893, prefer her petition to our said Judges of [illegible] county, praying for the causes therein set forth, she might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with [illegible].

We therefore command you the said Ann [illegible] that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport, at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean, on the second Monday of December next, to answer the petition [illegible] of said [illegible] and to show cause, if any you have, why the said [illegible] should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Hereof fail not.

A true copy. WALTER GRUBB, Sheriff.
W. J. [illegible], Libellant's Attorney.
Smethport, Pa., Nov. 13 1893.

Notice in Divorce.

A. D. No. 171 February Term, 1893.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.—THE COMMONWEALTH of Pennsylvania to the sheriff of said county greeting:

Whereas, F. D. Gamble [illegible] of January, 1893 preferred his petition to our said Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas of said county, praying for the causes therein set forth he might be divorced from the bonds of matrimony entered into with you, Gertrude J. Gamble.

We therefore command you the said Gertrude J. Gamble that setting aside all other business and excuses whatsoever you be and appear in your proper person before our Judges at Smethport at a Court of Common Pleas there to be held for the County of McKean on the second Monday of December next to answer the petition or libel of said F. D. Gamble and show cause, if any you have, why the said F. D. Gamble your husband, should not be divorced from the bonds of matrimony, agreeably to the Acts of Assembly in such cases made and provided. Hereof fail not.

A true copy. WALTER GRUBB, Sheriff.
Berry & Edgett, Libellant's Attorneys.
Smethport, Pa., Nov 13 1893.

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Writ of Partition.

G. W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell and J. W. Campbell, partners doing business as G. W. Campbell & Sons, vs. A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons, and also [illegible] D. Wetmore, J. [illegible], H. R. [illegible], W. T. [illegible], J. M. [illegible], Pennsylvania Gas Company and Henry Hamlin, holding mineral, oil and gas interest in the lands.	In the Court of Common Pleas of McKean County, No. 118, February Term, 1893.

McKEAN COUNTY, ss.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to the [illegible] McKean County Greeting:

Whereas A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons, were summoned to appear in the Court of Common Pleas in the said county, before the judges of the same Court at Smethport on the fourth Monday of February, A. D. 1893 to answer G. W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell and J. W. Campbell, partners doing business as G. W. Campbell & Sons, of a plea wherefore [illegible] G. W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell and J. W. Campbell partners doing business as G. W. Campbell & Sons and the said A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons together [illegible] [illegible] the following real estate, [illegible] A certain messuage or tract of land [illegible] [illegible] Warrant No. [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Therefore we command you that taking with you twelve good and lawful men of your bailiwick, [illegible] in the presence of the parties aforesaid by you to be warned, if upon being so warned they will be present, the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances having respect to the true value thereof, [illegible] that part which you cause to be parted and divided of one of the said two parts to G. W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell and J. W. Campbell, partners doing business as G. W. Campbell & Sons, [illegible] the said two parts to A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons [illegible] [illegible] G. W. Campbell, E. W. Campbell and J. W. Campbell, partners doing business as G. W. Campbell & Sons, their part and the said A. Healey, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, partners doing business as A. Healey & Sons their part [illegible] of the tenements aforesaid with the appurtenances [illegible] [illegible] to be summoned as aforesaid, to make partition as aforesaid, shall be of the opinion that the premises and tenements aforesaid cannot be so parted and divided without prejudice to or spoiling the whole, then we command you that you cause the said inquest to make a just valuation and appraisement of the lands and tenements aforesaid, upon their oaths and affirmations aforesaid, due notice having been first given to the several parties concerned or interested [illegible] if they shall think fit, at the time and place of holding such inquisition, and that the partition or valuation and appraisement which you shall so make, you [illegible] under your hand and seal and under the hands and seals of those by whom the same shall be made before the Judges of the said Court of Common Pleas in and for the county of McKean at Smethport then to be held the second Monday in December next, that such further proceedings may be had as to law and justice shall appertain, and have you then and there this writ.

Witness the Honorable A. G. Olmsted, President Judge of our said Court at Smethport, this 5th day of October, A. D. 1893.

J. H. MCELROY,
Prothonotary.

W. W. Brown, Attorney.

NOTICE.

To A. Healy, A. A. Healey and Frank Healey, doing business as A. Healy & Sons, above named defendants:

Take notice, that by virtue of the above Writ of Partition to me directed an inquisition will be held upon the premises therein described on Tuesday the 5th day of December, A. D. 1893, at 1 o'clock p. m. to ascertain and inquire, among other things, whether the said premises can be parted and divided without prejudice or spoiling the whole thereof, otherwise to value and appraise the same, when and where you may attend if you see proper.

WALTER GRUBB, Sheriff.

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Remember that for $1.50 we send [the] MINER and Philadelphia Weekly [illegible] one year.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

[illegible]'s sales this week.

[illegible] snow storm on Tuesday.

[Thanks]giving next week Thursday.

[illegible] at this office.

The stores are beginning to put on [illegible] holiday attire.

The best preparation for believing [illegible] is to think right.

The borough assessment [illegible] taken by N. H. Knapp.

We want live correspondents in every town in McKean county.

See change in time table of Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Wm. Masser has a house for rent on Main street. Terms very reasonable.

—It is rumored that another [illegible] newspaper is to be started [in Smeth]port.

—W. S. Specht, the experienced [deputy] prothonotary will be retained by Mr. Mitchell.

The dwelling of Walter [illegible] near Smethport, was consumed by fire last Friday.

Bradford is soon to have a [soci]ety for the prevention of cruelty to animals, children and the aged.

The rooms over the [store] of Mr. [illegible], Colegrove, are being [illegible] nicely arranged for office purposes.

Dancing school opened Monday evening with Miss Bessie Bush as instructress. There was not a very large attendance.

We regret to learn of the serious [ill]ness of Edwin Haskell, editor of the [Bradford Star]? Journal at his home in [illegible].

Attorney [illegible] of [illegible] has been retained to defend Snyder, the wife murderer, at next term of criminal court.

The study of German is quite a fad among our young ladies. Boys, why not organize a literary society for the winter months?

Joseph Patterson, who resides on Water street, is more than happy. [illegible] day last, he became the father of a [illegible] pound boy.

Politicians who claim that wage earn[ers] had little or nothing to do with results on the 7th instant are barking up the wrong tree.

M. L. Armstrong, Smethport, has purchased two registered Shropshire ewes for breeding purposes. They were secured in Canada.

Contractor Andrew Relik has a large force of men at work on the Mechanic street sewer notwithstanding the unfavorable weather.

Mr. D. C. Houston, of Wellsville, N. Y., and Mrs. Jane Caffin, of Bradford, were married at Limestone, N. Y., Nov. 14th, by Rev. Hugh Boyd.

—On account of being strangers here we ask that the people of this town assist us in furnishing items for the MINER by giving us personal items.

—Smethport Tent, No. 9, K. O. T. M., will give a Thanksgiving dance on Thursday evening of next week. We trust they may have a large attendance.

Union Thanksgiving services will be held next Thursday morning at [illegible] the Baptist church. Sermon by Rev. J. W. Wright of the Methodist church.

The Smethport school board have adopted and ordered the new text books for the [illegible] session of the schools which begins Dec. [illegible]. [illegible]

The Bradford Sunday News says Tom Mullin, of Mullin & [illegible], attorneys-at-law [illegible], will be the next Deputy United States Commissioner for this district.

—These are the slippery times that try men's souls. We have seen more than one graceful fall this week, and a sly look around to see if the fall was seen by the passer-by.

—The grading of the public school grounds is in progress. A board walk is also being built from [illegible] to [illegible] streets passing by the front door of the school.

—The Woman's Travelers' Club of Smethport meets semi-monthly at the home of some of its forty members. The club is now deeply interested with travels in Greece.

—Harry Green, a member of the Squire Haskins Co., created no end of amusement on the street Saturday in his impersonation of "Ezra Blowers," a green country lad.

—Over 1,500 varieties of commercial fertilizers have been analyzed this year by the State Board of Agriculture, and the results published in a pamphlet for the farmers.

—The remains of the infant child of Mr. Edward Bush, of East Smethport, were interred in Rose Hill cemetery last Sunday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Wright read the burial service.

One result of the election—County Commissioner elect Frank R. Foster has purchased an electric cigar lighter for the accommodation of his friends who drop in to offer congratulations.

—E. L. Keenan, Esq., Secretary of the Smethport School Board, has received the acceptance of the lady assistants who were elected for the ensuing term of the Smethport Graded Schools.

Rev. G. W. Halliwell, one of the spiritual advisers of Crossmire, has been presented by the criminal with a neat silk watch guard of his own make. Crossmire is an artist in making "curios."

—Prof. W. L. MacGowan, a former principal of the Smethport schools, is publishing a "Teachers' Text-book and Supply Record." Prof. MacGowan is doing excellent work in the Warren public school.

—Stickney, Ritchie & Co., who have their show window on Main street so fantastically decorated with cat patterns have an equally interesting advertisement in this issue. Read it before purchasing the cat.

—Rev. G. W. Halliwell of the Baptist Church will take for his morning subject "True Riches." In the evening the subject will be "A Trip to Jericho and what became of it." At the Wednesday evening prayer meeting will occur the fourth Bible reading on the Holy Spirit."

—Fire and water on the morning of Nov 19 did $1000 damage to the stock and building of E. H. Dennison's grocery store at Olean, N. Y., and his household effects in the upper story. The loss is covered by insurance.

Arthur Sidman as "Squire Haskins" was the attraction at the opera house on Saturday evening. The company was excellent, and the large crowd left the opera house very much pleased with the evening's entertainment.

[illegible] United States.

We have [illegible]

The American [illegible]

Pennsylvania Board of World's Fair Managers will have something like $1[illegible] [illegible]

George W. Morrell, of Bradford, the [illegible] of McKean county, has [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Mr. [illegible] with a terrible accident [illegible] His arm was [illegible] He was brought to Smethport for treatment [illegible] after a careful examination that amputation would be necessary. Dr. Freeman performed the operation.

The new Palmer House at Olean has a new advertisement in the MINER this week. Mr. George Babcock, the proprietor, is numbered among our best friends, and is too well known by the traveling public to [need] any comment from us. When in Olean don't fail to go to the Palmer House. [Take] our word for it you will be well treated and well fed.

The dedicatory services of the Epworth chapel of the M. E. church, Smethport, were conducted last Thursday morning by the Rev. E. H. Latimer assisted by Revs. [illegible] Halliwell, T. W. Chandler and J. W. Wright. The full amount of the indebtedness was raised [illegible] subscribed. Rev. T. W. Chandler, Ashford, preached in the evening. The choir rendered [illegible] at both morning and evening [illegible].

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[illegible] United States Attorney, said [illegible] that [illegible] had a good case against Charles A. Martin, of East Bradford, [illegible] [illegible] father of a [illegible] The defendant is charged [illegible] a fee of $[illegible] which is in excess of the amount allowed by law [illegible] Martin gave bail for [illegible] United States Commissioner [illegible]

Thanksgiving Day services at St. [illegible] church will begin at 10:30 A. M. [illegible] arrangement for the festival service. [illegible] will be rendered and a [illegible] will play with the large organ [illegible] The [illegible] familiar hymns, "America" [and "Old Hundred"] are on the program, [illegible] congregational singing. The service will begin promptly at 10:30 A. M. and will not last more than an hour.

The parents of Williams Cory, Jr., were informed by letter yesterday of the death of their son in California. He was killed on a log train. The young man who has met his death so early in life left Smethport to seek his fortune in California about one year ago. He was a member of the K. O. T. M. [illegible] was killed at Round Mountain November 14th, aged 21. After being crushed by the log train, he spoke only one word. His remains has been embalmed and will be brought to Smethport at once, for interment.

—An interesting trial ended last Saturday at Smethport. It was that of Merrick and Kearns vs. S. D. Heffner and was brought on account of an oil property transaction between the parties. The trial lasted two days, but when the case was given to the jury it was soon disposed of. In 15 minutes the jurors found for the defendant, Heffner. Much interest in the case has been manifested by oil men, one of whom remarked yesterday that misrepresentations of the value of a piece of land would not be so frequent in McKean county hereafter.

—A disastrous fire occured in East Bradford Sunday morning about 1 o'clock. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it started in the W. C. T. U. hall on Main street and soon communicated to the Methodist church on one side and a vacant building, H. C. Boyer and Peter Gardner's tailor store on the other. Most of the church furniture was saved but the building was completely destroyed. The church, which was built 3 years ago, was valued at $6000 and insured for $1000. Gardner's and Boyer's loss is $600 and the W. C. T. U. $600, making the total loss about $6000.

—"I don't blame anyone for not kissing that Bible," said Judge McPherson in court, Lebanon on Friday. Garfield Ramsey, a boy who was a witness in a case, after taking the oath, did not kiss the book. A lawyer objected, and then the Judge broke in. He said: "Everybody has been handling that book, and I am very glad you have given me an opportunity to refer to this matter, for on taking an oath it is a mistaken idea that the Bible must be kissed, and I hope a reform will be made, so that hereafter oaths will be taken by the uplifted hand."

The forthcoming report of the superintendent of public instruction will recommend that a school census be taken to [illegible] determine how many children [illegible] attending school who ought to be. He will show that the increased State appropriation to the schools has resulted [illegible] and better salaries and that the free text book law has been a great benefit. He will recommend the observance of such holidays as Thanksgiving Day and Christmas by the closing of the schools. There will be a table giving the estimated value of school property.

—Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, the State Supt. of Public Instruction, writes editorially in the current number of the Pennsylvania School Journal: "A visit to the State Normal School at Edinboro revealed an [attendance] of over [illegible] students. Of these [illegible] are preparing to teach and the rest are in the Model School. The students are [illegible] exceedingly well behaved. The professors are enthusiastic and harmonious. Among them is Miss Anna [illegible], whose fame as a teacher has reached all parts of the Commonwealth. The Superintendent of the Model School reports that pupils from the town schools are seeking admission into his department. Edinboro is a beautiful town, free from the temptations of large cities, and well adapted to be the seat of a flourishing school. The buildings and [illegible] have been much improved in recent years."

GOING AND COMING.

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E. R. Mayo, Esq., was in Eldred on Monday.

[illegible] King visited Bradford on Monday.

O. B. [illegible], of Kane, attended court last week.

[Dr.] F. O. Wright had business at Kane last week.

Hon. F. A. Morrison, was in Bradford on Tuesday.

Miss Alice McCoy is spending several days at Mt. Jewett.

C. R. Sprague is suffering from an attack of pneumonia.

F. N. Taylor, spent several days at Coudersport last week.

Warley Gifford made Bradford a business visit on Thursday.

Mr. Olsen of the MINER is at Germania, Potter county, this week.

Miss Eva Buchanan, one of Bradford is visiting friends in town.

A. B. Walker and wife, of Bradford, were in town on Monday.

Chester Burdick made a business trip to Mt. Jewett last Thursday.

A. S. Kinney, of Olean, is visiting his brother-in-law, S. H. Ride.

Miss Mattie E. Brennan spent Sunday with friends at Mt. Jewett.

R. McAllister, of Bradford, made a business trip to Smethport Thursday.

Mrs. H. F. Barbour, of Bradford, was registered at the Grand Central on Monday.

Mr. R. McAllister, of Bradford, registered at the Wright House last Wednesday.

The wife of our genial postmaster, E. M. Keens, is seriously ill at her home on Main street.

Mrs. S. R. Lindsley who was taken seriously ill the first of this week is now recuperating.

Charles E. Wheeler, one of the best posted masons in McKean county, was in town this week.

Presiding Elder E. Latimer, of Olean, N. Y., was the guest of Rev. J. B. Wright several days this week.

A. P. Pope, the popular proprietor of the Grand Central Hotel, spent Monday and Tuesday in Olean.

Miss Vic. Burdick, a former typo on the MINER has accepted a similar position on the Kane *Republican*.

Miss Grace Hart, of Friendship, N. Y., visited her friend, Mrs. [illegible] Young Wednesday and Thursday last.

Prof. W. P. Eckles, our efficient county supt. of Public Schools is visiting the district schools this week.

F. P. Slocum, of Bradford, McKean county's handsome Coroner had business at the county seat on Monday.

Landlord Joe McCarty of Johnsonburg sundayed in town. From "Gibney's" appearance he must set a good table.

Mrs. J. M. Tracey and Miss Anna Tracey, of East Smethport visited with Olean friends and relatives last week.

G. A. Hall, representing the Pittsburg *Times* paid the MINER a very pleasant visit Thursday. The *Times* is one of our most valuable exchanges.

Among the callers in our office last week were Senator Owen C. Allen, of Warren, Geo. H. Higgins, Esq., of Erie, and H. W. Nelly, of Kane.

O. L. Tait, formerly of Bradford, but now of Rochester, N. Y., was in town on business this week. Mr. Tait is one of the earliest subscribers of the MINER.

R. M. Fessenden, Commissioner elect of Potter County, was a caller at this office on Thursday. Hart is one of the staunch Republicans in Potter county.

Rev. T. W. Chandler, of Ashford, a former pastor of the Smethport M. E. church attended the Dedicatory services of the Epworth chapel of this place last Thursday.

Our old friend, Thomas Harrington, with whom we were formerly associated in newspaper work at Coudersport paid the MINER a visit Wednesday afternoon. Tom, you will always have a warm welcome at our sanctum. Come again.

W. W. Tate, of Wellsboro, representing the Ross Cigar Co., was in town Friday. He is one of the most popular men on the road. Mr. Tate is the first new subscriberer to the MINER under the new management. By the way, it was a good thing he came when he did, as the stock of Supreme Court cigars was about out in this town, and the lovers of good cigars were anxiously awaiting his arrival.

For Sale.

The subscriber offers his house and two lots located on the west end of Main street in Smethport borough for sale. The property will be sold at a low figure and on reasonable terms. The reason for selling is that I desire to live nearer my mill on Mechanic street.

C. E. BARRETT.

Smethport, Oct. 25th, 1893.

MASONIC BANQUET!

A CHARMING SOCIAL EVENT IN THE PLEASANT CIRCLES OF MASONRY.

A Beautiful Repast to the Friends and Members of the Ancient Fraternity at the Wright House—Lovely Women and Jolly Men in the Realms of Pleasantry—The Names of those Present.

The annual Masonic Banquet under the auspices of the McKean Lodge, No. 388 was held in the spacious parlors and dining rooms of the popular Hotel de la Wright last Wednesday evening. The members with their wives, friends and best girls commenced to assemble at an early hour, and by 10 o'clock, the time appointed for the feast, twenty-two merry couples were enjoying the social side of Freemasonry, and the beautiful Wright parlors were reverberating to hilarity of the occasion.

About ten o'clock Prof. Eckles announced to the company, there was awaiting in the dining room something more substantial for the inner man. Then the masons and their lovely guests marched in twos to the banquet halls, and were soon seated around the splendid repast prepared by Mr. Wright. The hall was absent of any floral decoration which usually is an attractive feature of a banquet, but this was forgotten as soon as the eye glanced at all the delicacies of the season under which the tables fairly groaned.

Prof. W. P. Eckels, as toast master, in a few well chosen introductory remarks, called on District Deputy Grand Master, Chas. Wheeler, of Bradford, who responded to the toast, "Social Side of Freemasonry."

He gave an excellent review of the workings of the order from its earliest foundation when it was an organization for the preservation of art culture and moral relations. The social feature began after 1703 in London, and afterwards extended to America in 1715—first at Philadelphia. Continuing, he said, man's sole [object] the question was to have a good wife as a partner in work, while he would enjoy the secrets of masonry alone, as the gentlemen were not admitted to the sewing circle, and he might have added that the [illegible] masculine is not even allowed near the portals of the club now traveling to Greece or the singing society of St. Cecilia.

Rev. J. H. McCandless welcomed the visiting Brethren to enjoy the pleasures of the order and the hospitality of the town.

Rev. E. H. Latimer, of Olean, spoke of "Masonry as elevating and purifying to mankind." He knew masonry was good in all relations and commanded the respect of every one who knew the workings of the order.

Rev. J. W. Wright said "He was all Wright" and hoped to be invited to the next feast when he would probably say more. He enjoyed all sides of masonry.

Prof. J. L. Twilley spoke of the sociability among masons. As a demonstration of the fact, he said he was one of the "unfortunate" strangers at the banquet, and that the genial toast master had kindly honored him, as he (the professor) was now the escort of Mrs. Eckels. And thus you see a mason is ever ready to make a great denial of pleasure to one of the fellowcraft.

Frank Baldwin, of Duke Centre, hoped to see the time when there would be more congeniality among the sex in masonry. He would have a meeting that the ladies could attend. But, then you know, Frank is a single man, and that time occasions many changes.

Prof. Eckels thanked all present, especially the ladies, for making the social occasion a grand success and thus the most pleasant evening of good will and merriment was no more except in remembrance of the past. The hands on the town clock had reached "the high meridian of the night," before the company repaired to their respective homes.

The following are the names of the parties present as they sat around the banquet table: Prof. W. P. Eckles, toast master, Revs. Wright and Latimer, Rev. J. H. McCandless and Mrs. Eugenia Hamlin, Dr. and Mrs. H. B. McCoy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Brownell, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible] King, Dr. and Mrs. [illegible] Chadwick, Mr. C. E. Wheeler, and Mrs. W. S. Specht, Prof. J. L. Twilley and Mrs. W. P. Eckles, Mr. George Brownell and Miss Rena Richmond, Dr. John Clark and Mattie Brennan, Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], Hamlin, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Haskill, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Holder, Mr. and Mrs. Harry W[illegible], Mr. H. M. and Miss Bertie Choate, Mr. W. S. Specht and Miss Ella Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Abbey, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Young. Messrs. F. M. Keans, R. F. Wright, [illegible], Frank Baldwin, and [illegible]. The [illegible] were not so fortunate as to have lady escorts, but they were in the fun, just the same.

AN ELECTION AND AFTERNOON TEA.

At a meeting of the St. Cecelia society held last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss May Choate, on King street, the following officers were elected: President, Miss Alice McCoy; vice president, Miss Orra King; Secretary, Miss Hattie Waller, corresponding secretary, Miss Maud Shoemaker; treasurer, Miss Cora Mason. Just after the election of officers, Miss May invited her guest to an afternoon tea. The dining room was beautifully decorated with choice roses and the richest ferns and each one of the thirteen members present was presented with a fragrant rose. The repast was served a la mode and the occasion was one which the members will long remember.

Four Big Successes.

Having the needed merit to more than make good all the advertising claimed for them, the following four remedies have reached a phenomenal sale. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, each bottle guaranteed—Electric Bitters, the Great remedy for Liver, Stomach and Kidneys. Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, and Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are a perfect pill. All these remedies are guaranteed to do just what is claimed for them and the dealer whose name is attached herewith will be glad to tell you more of them. Sold at F. R. Foster's and A. B. Armstrong's drug store.

Mr. Moore, the postmaster at Bradshaw, Va., after reading an advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, concluded to try a small bottle of it. He says: "I used it in two cases for colic and three for diarrhoea with perfect satisfaction. I have handled and used a great deal of patent medicine but never tried any that gave as good results as this." For sale by A. B. Armstrong.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts bruises, sores, ulcers, salt rheum, fever, corns and skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Frank R. Foster, Druggist.

RHEUMATISM CURED IN A DAY.—"Mystic Cure" for Rheumatism and Neuralgia radically cures in 1 to 3 days. Its action upon the system is remarkable and mysterious. It removes at once the cause and the disease immediately disappears. The first dose greatly benefits, 75 cents. Sold by A. B. Armstrong Druggist, Smethport.

Wanted

Everybody to know Orpheno; is wonderful for painless extraction of teeth, try it.

DR. F. G. PIERCE, Dentist.

Smethport, Pa.

Epworth League Group Meeting.

Eldred, Duke Centre, Rixford, Colegrove and Smethport group meeting of the Epworth League will meet in the M. E. church at Eldred, Dec. 1 and 2, under the auspices of F. H. Lindholm of Smethport. Before the meeting eight scholarly papers will be read on as many interesting subjects. Addresses will be made by Revs. Bond, Berlin and Wright. All young people are cordially invited to be present.

Since the above has been put in type we have been requested to publish the following official programme:

FRIDAY EVENING.

Devotional Service.
Address, Rev. J. W. Wright, Smethport, Pa.

SATURDAY MORNING.

Opening service at 8:30
Consecration Service, led by Rev. F. W. Burlin.
Paper—"Young People and Bible study,"
Miss Dibble, Eldred, Pa.
" "How to Make the League Prayer Meeting a Success," Miss Grace Hiller, Rixford, Pa.
Epworth Wheel symposium.
Paper, "Spiritual Life,"
Mrs. F. W. Brownell, Smethport, Pa.
" "Mercy and Help."
Mrs. B. W. Heinemann, Colegrove.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Paper—"Social Life,"
Miss Florence Walker, Duke Centre.
" "Records,"
Miss Lizzie Cummings, Rixford.
" "Finance,"
Miss Fannie Waltman, Eldred.

It is expected that the above papers will be limited in time, but each will be open to discussion. It is also expected that some whose names do not appear on the program will address the convention.

A Story of the Cherokee Strip Opening.

"We were all waiting to hear that starting gun go off, and though there was a lot of cussing going on it was done under the breath, and things were quietlike and hushed," said a returned Cherokee boomer. "I was standing on the platform and wondering how it would all end when I saw a man shake his partner's hand and start to run into the open space. Somebody yelled, and a soldier who was standing near me looked up and saw the sooner running. He called on him to halt, but that sooner was in a hurry and didn't stop. Then I saw the soldier pull up his gun and take aim. Just then the sooner's partner rushed up to the bluecoat and shouted: 'Don't you fire at him. He's my brother, and if you hurt him I'll fill you full of lead.'

"The soldier never as much as winked, but just pulled the trigger of his gun. I saw the flash, and I knew the sooner was hit because he tumbled on his face. The smoke had hardly cleared away when there came another crack of a rifle, and the soldier dropped with blood pouring out of a hole in his head. The sooner's brother had kept his word. The train started then, and I don't know whether they caught the murderer or not."—Kansas City Times.

The Bang Called In.

One of the most noticeable changes in fashion this season is that which affects the dressing of the hair. The "fringe" has been gradually giving place to softly waved bandeaux, and the bandeaux are creeping gradually lower down until the return seems imminent to the puffed and waved bandeaux to be seen in the portraits of Jennie Lind taken along in the fifties. To young and delicate faces the style has an agreeable piquancy and quaintness, but to women past their first youth or with strong, coarse features the bang has a softening effect much to be desired.

Another style now gaining favor and one becoming to round faces with low foreheads is that of turning the hair back from the forehead loosely in a twist that is lost in the light coils and puffs arranged in the middle of the forehead. In this style of coiffure the front hair is parted off on either side and twisted in the old fashioned way into two rolls.—New York Sun.

The Deluge.

In answer to a correspondent a newspaper says: "The deluge mentioned in the Bible was threatened in the year 1736 B. C., and began on Dec. 7, 1656 B. C., and continued 377 days. The ark rested on Mount Ararat on May 6, 1655, but Noah did not leave it until Dec. 18 following." Any reader who imagines that it would be an easy task to figure these details from a Biblical account can find a basis for his calculations in the seventh and eighth chapters of Genesis.

A Long Lived Family.

Probably the last of the oldest family in New Jersey passed away in the village of Asbury, Warren county, last week. Her name was Margaret Bigler, aged 93 years. Her father, John Bigler, was 93 when he died in 1850. Her mother died in 1853, aged 91. She had three sisters—Polly, who died in 1891, aged 100; Elizabeth, who died in 1895, aged 92, and Catherine, who passed away in 1879, aged 84. Margaret leaves an estate valued at $20,000.—Philadelphia Press.

A single trial of Dr. Henry Baxter's Mandrake Bitters will convince any one troubled with costiveness, torpid liver or any kindred diseases of their curative properties. They only cost 25 cents per bottle. For sale by H. C. Wells.

Ignorance of the merits of DeWitt's Little Early Risers is a misfortune. These little pills regulate the liver, cure head ache, dyspepsia bad breath, constipation, and billiousness. Sold by A. B. Armstrong.

Are your children subject to croup? If so, you should never be without a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It is a certain cure for croup, and has never been known to fail. If given freely as soon as the croupy cough appears it will prevent the attack. It is the sole reliance with thousands of mothers who have croupy children, and never disappoints them. There is no danger in giving this remedy in large and frequent doses, as it contains nothing injurious. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. B. Armstrong.

Do you want to improve your methods of teaching? Do you desire to increase your power for good? Do you need new incentives, fuller inspiration and greater teaching force? If so, attend the Edinboro Normal School. Winter term begins December 4th.

MARTIN G. BENEDICT.

Mr. W. H. Terry, who has been in the drug business at Elkton, Ky., for the past twelve years, says: "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy gives better satisfaction than any other cough medicine I have ever sold." There is good reason for this. No other will cure a cold so quickly; no other affords so much relief in cases of whooping cough. For sale by A. B. Armstrong.

Millinery.

Mrs. G. A. Stickles is now settled near the Racket Store in East Smethport, where she has a nice variety of ladies, misses and children city trimmed hats, caps and bonnets, also ribbons, laces, fancy feathers and other millinery, too numerous to mention. Give her a call.

Winter term of the Edinboro State Normal begins Dec. 4th, ends March 8th. Furnished and heated rooms for six to fourteen dollar per term. The total expenses $50.

MARTIN G. BENEDICT.

Do Your Corns Hurt?

If so call on Alfred Sturdvoint, Surgeon Chiropodist, Main street, nearly opposite the postoffice, and have them removed in a few minutes without pain or soreness.

The proprietors of Ely's Cream Balm do not claim it to be a cure-all, but a remedy for catarrh, colds in the head and hay fever. It is not a liquid or a snuff, is easily applied into the nostrils. It gives relief at once. 50 cents.

THE COUNTY.

Interesting News From Various Localities Picked up by Our Regular Correspondents.

KANE.

Dr. Evan O'Neil Kane has an unusually large county practice lately.

Mrs. W. S. Aley, is visiting relatives and friends at Howard, Centre county this week.

D. H. Hill, a prominent mason, of Olean, N. Y., attend a Masonic meeting in Kane last week.

Jas. Landrogan, of Kushiqua, was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Elmer Waltman on Sunday.

John O'Connor, of Mt. Alton, visited his brother, Wm., the councilman of the 1st ward, on Tuesday.

Wm. Moran, of Warren, came up and spent Sunday with his friend Rick Donovan at the Hotel Lamont.

C. A. and H. O. Ellithorpe, of Highland, were in Kane Monday. On their way to attend court at Ridgway.

Elisha K. Kane and wife of Silverside, spent Sunday with Mr. Kane's mother, Mrs. E. D. Kane, this is a custom rarely missed.

Wm. Hubbard & Son Bert, are both quite ill with grippe, scarlet fever is reported in several families in town. The report, it is hoped, is premature.

Mrs. S. K. R. Smith, of Clarion county, Sundayed with her husband, Mr. S. K. R. Smith, manager of the Kane gold cure. She returned home Monday.

Martin Dolan has purchased the building and entire stock of goods of Frank Veil, corner of Hacker and Bayard streets, and will continue the grocery business there.

Hon. L. Rogers has come to Kane to make it his future home, having disposed of the McKean MINER, he will now devote all his attention to the Kane *Republican*.

Chas. Asp, a former living on Highland road, lost a fine valuable young horse this week by epizootic. The animal was brought to Kane for treatment, and died here.

Frank F. Johnson, of Johnston and Brevillier, of Erie, were in Kane on Monday. They say that Kane is one of the liveliest towns along the line of the P. & E. R. Y. That's so Frank.

R. W. Fisher and wife, of Chicago, are the guests of Mr. Fisher's Father H. J. Fisher, the Insurance man. Mr. and Mrs. Fisher are thinking of making Kane their home for the present.

J. H. Grand, the hardware man, is moving his stock of goods from the James Campbell block into the Kemp Kane building corner Fraley and Greeves streets. Grand wants more room.

The Highland, contingent to court at Ridgway, Elk county did not tarry long at the county seat. The jurors were notified that their attendance was not required. No cases for trial this term; good for Elk.

Royer Money, J. A. Aiken and P. M. Robinson, commissioners of Warren, passed through Kane Saturday, returning from the store, meeting held at WilkesBarre. I presume the McKean county commissioners attended likewise.

The Kane Electric Light company, is organized, and the work of erecting poles and the stringing wires will be commenced at once, a guarantee is given that 1000 lights will be burning in 30 days. Oh, no, Kane is not progressive at all.

Much comment is being made lately about a number of boys, would be young men, who are under the influence of some intoxicant and assemble at the P. & E. station, much to the annoyance of respectable folks who arrive and depart on trains.

It is a verified fact, that Chas. F. Goodman did smile when oil touched 75 cents last week. The first of this week, he rode horseback to Clark's Mills, Elk county in the Elk oil field. It means something, when Charley faced Tuesday's snow storm.

There is another project of some magnitude on hand. J. Davis and W. W. Moloth, were seen riding out on that stormy Tuesday or rather they rode out in a carriage in the snow storm that occurred Tuesday. It has never yet failed to be a premonition of good for the town, or some one. What made it more ominous, Dr. Evan Kane and Dick Looker, were noticed holding a consultation. Their gestures were of the emphatic order. A sure thing.

COLEGROVE.

Mrs. J. Colegrove, of Smethport, was visiting relatives and friends here last week.

Kate Bartlett was in Smethport last Saturday and Sunday, the guest of Miss Mamie Colegrove.

Mrs. Anna Anderson has had a monument placed on the lot, where the remains of her husband are interred.

Rev. Mr. Hill, of the U. B. persuasion, has been holding revival meetings at the home of Mrs. Lathrop.

C. A. Pierce, of Gardeau, was at Crosby on Monday of this week to attend to some business for the Rich lumber company.

Mr. Fred Berryman has been employed as organist in the church and Sunday school service for this conference year, and to have care of the church also.

That our people are lovers of music is emphasized by their purchasers. Miss Alda Carter has a new organ, and M. J. Berryman has purchased a fine piano.

The members of the Farmer's Alliance at Crosby are profiting by their privileges and ordering their groceries unitedly, thus saving the profits that usually go to the middlesman.

A Thanksgiving supper will be given at home of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Bartlett, Thursday evening, Nov. 30th. The people are cordially invited to attend, help furnish supper, and give articles for a fish-pond. The price of the supper will be twenty-five cents. The proceeds will apply on fund being raised to insure, repair, paper and paint the Union church at Colegrove.

Mrs. McLane, of Duke Centre, was the guest of Mrs. Mynard and Mrs. Heinemann last week. This lady was a delegate to the W. C. T. U. State convention held at Lancaster, Pa. She had been to Palmerville to give a report of the convention, and as Colegrove Union had no delegate, Mrs. McLane gave this some report here last Friday evening. The people were well pleased with the report, and also enjoyed the able papers written and read by Mr. McLane on Sunday morning and evening.

The best plaster.—Dampen a piece of flannel with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bind it on over the seat of pain. It is better than any plaster. When the lungs are sore such an application on the chest and another on the back, between the shoulder blades, will often prevent pneumonia. There is nothing so good for a lame back or a pain in the side. A sore throat can nearly always be cured in one night by applying a flannel bandage dampened with Pain Balm. 50 cent bottles for sale by A. B. Armstrong.

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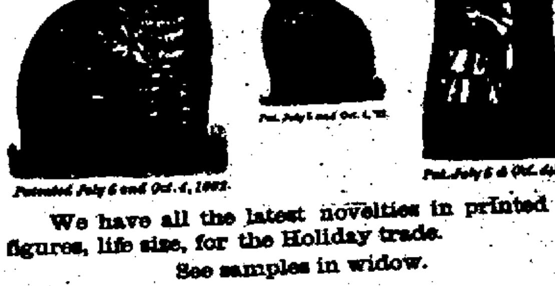
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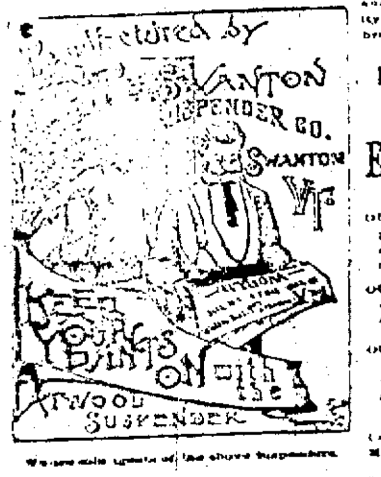

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OUT OF THE JAWS OF DEATH.

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selves up?" his eyes asked, and mine answering "Yes," he held out his hand to me and said:

"Come."

"I am afraid you are leaving with a bad opinion of me," said Ivan. Dontremember as I rose. "That's the worst of being perfectly reasonable—one's sure to offend some amiable fool. Now, if you only had a ruble or two"—

"What!" cried Gordon, tearing open his coat to get at his note case. "You will sell your liberty?"

"Of course I will. Schemal always keeps a good stock on hand on the chance of a moneyed customer dropping in. There's more where this came from." He continued, untieing his sack and producing a loaf. "It's rather a high price—a ruble a loaf, pretty nearly half a crown of your money—but these poor government officials must live."

Without a word Gordon snatched a note from his case, thrust it into Ivan's hand and took possession of the loaf. Then, with horrible [illegible], we tore the loaf in two and ate with the ravenous [illegible] of starved beasts. For a time we forgot everything but the animal joy of satisfying our craving appetite. Whether Ivan spoke to us or not I do not know. It was not until our hunger had been appeased that we could think of him.

"What right have you to put temptation in a poor devil's way?" he growled. "Do you know the value of the note you gave me?"

Gordon shook his head, still eating.

"A thousand [illegible] free [illegible] freedom, which [illegible] [illegible] take it [illegible] to knock you on the head."

He pushed the note into Gordon's hand and turning [illegible] his [illegible] knees dropped his head [illegible] palms and rocked himself [illegible] and forward [illegible].

[illegible]

"Perhaps I overrated that attempt [illegible] in the greater [illegible]. [illegible] probability was that you had [illegible] in your [illegible] certain."

"If you [illegible] yourself [illegible] put it on?"

[illegible]

"Some [illegible]," Gordon suggested.

Ivan [illegible] nodded [illegible] and turned [illegible].

[illegible]

"Where was he [illegible]?"

"In London."

"Thank the [illegible]."

"[illegible]"

What honest Russian who lived five years ago doesn't know [illegible].

[illegible]

"An Irishman?" asked Ivan [illegible].

"Yes."

"His name? Quick!"

"Barry Kavanagh."

"Infernal [illegible]!" muttered Ivan through his clenched teeth.

"Do you know him?"

"Aye, and with good reason. Is he married? Do you know of any woman who calls herself his wife? A woman who should be at home with blue eyes and a timid, pretty face. Do you know her?" he asked eagerly. "Don't be afraid to speak if you know more than that."

"Don't be afraid to speak if you know more than that."

We assured him that we had never heard of his having a wife.

"I pray to God she is dead," he said fervently. "Better that she should be murdered by him than live to share his treachery. She was my sister," he added after a pause. "That is why I trusted him. And when he knew all that I would tell him he sold me to the police. To conceal that fact I have been kept all these years in prison. Never mind that. Tell me all you know about him—every detail that comes into your mind. Who knows what this may lead to?"

We told him all that we knew, all that we thought about Kavanagh. His emotion had subsided, and he listened with intense fixity of purpose in his set features, not uttering a sound until the last word we had to say on the subject was spoken. Then, without debating any point, he saw statement, he said at once:

"There is more villainy underlying this than you dream of. Does he owe you money?"

"A trifle—a few pounds upon our last game of cards, that's all."

Ivan dropped his voice and asked a question which was not intended for my ears. Gordon shook his head in the negative and then asked:

"Was there sufficient reason for his sending us out of England?"

"For getting rid of [illegible], certainly. [illegible] well, there was [illegible] Kavanagh."

[illegible]

THE DEATH OF THE EARTH

[illegible]

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Washington, Oct. 18.—[Special.]—Senator Brice was asked by your correspondent for his views on the political [illegible]. "In my opinion [illegible]

[illegible]

How the Country Are Dividing.

[illegible]

Breaking Up.

[illegible]

British India.

Great Britain [illegible] stretching her [illegible]. Advances were [illegible], and now the [illegible] under British rule is [illegible]. British India is larger than all that part of the United States east of the Mississippi river and its population five times as great as the present population of this whole country. Britain may not be able [illegible] difficulty in retaining [illegible] with native dissatisfaction and the watchfulness of her aggravating enemy on the north, who in the last 30 years has moved his boundaries over many degrees of latitude.—Texas Siftings.

The Proper Thing.

Miss Keedick—Mr. Gilley actually offered himself to Miss Darley on a postal card.

Miss Gusket—What did she do?

Miss Keedick—Refused him. She said she preferred sealed proposals.—Detroit Free Press.

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THE WIND OF THE DEAD MEN'S FEET

Oh, "wind of the dead men's feet," blow softly
Disturb not thou their rest.
Why shouldst ye waken them from quiet slumber
Within earth's toil worn breast?

The day will come when, like a mighty ocean
Which rolls from pole to pole,
Resistless thou wilt sweep the nations over,
And then must every soul

Prepare to meet the One, who, following after,
Appeareth in the east,
And wakeneth all men from death's dreamless slumber,
The greatest and the least.

So, "wind of the dead men's feet," blow softly,
Until shall dawn that day
When, strong and terrible, thou wilt give warning
That all things pass away.

—Florence Peacock in London Academy.

Robert Bonner's Orders.

I saw Robert Bonner riding in the park the other day behind a fast but not spirited stepper. He was going at a three minute clip, and he sat as erect and firm in his open carriage as though he were a young man of 30 instead of a veteran of 70. An old pressman told me this story about him not long ago:

"Before Bonner was wrapped up in fast horses and just as he had succeeded in getting The Ledger up to a circulation of 300,000 copies he was worried half to death for fear he could not hold it to those figures. I had charge of his pressroom. Bonner came down one day and said:

"It seems to me that this cut on the fifth page works up too light. What do you think about it, Jim?"

"I thought it worked about right and told him so, but just to suit him I tried to fix it, remarking, 'If I work it any heavier, it will be one black blotch.'

"'Well,' said he, sticking a lead pencil between his teeth and chewing it, as he always did when he got mad, 'if I tell you to make it a blotch of it, you will do it, won't you?'

"'No, I won't,' I said.

"'Yes, you will,' he replied rather fiercely. 'If I tell you to [illegible] the whole fifth page [illegible] will do it.'

"I was mad clear through and said I would not make a fool of myself for him or any other man.

"'Well, [illegible],' said Bonner, and he took out a pencil and wrote an order on the fly leaf of a memorandum book for me to run the fifth page with the plate bottom up until I got other orders. Then he got out of the pressroom so quick that I had no time to make objections. Well, I put the plate on that way and ran it until the next day. He came down about noon.

"'Well, Jim,' he asked, 'how many have you run like that?'

"I looked at the counter. It showed [illegible], and I gave him the figures.

"'Suppose you change the plate back again, now,' he remarked, with a sickly smile, 'and burn up the spoiled papers [illegible]. I've seen a great many fools in my life, but only one bigger fool than a stubborn pressman I know.'

"'Maybe you saw him in the glass, Mr. Bonner,' I said. I kind of canterlike [illegible] quick as he could, and we never had another row after that."

A Man of Tact.

Yet politics [illegible] and Mr. Richard Croker is the most prominent man in the [illegible] just now. He holds Tammany Hall in far more subjection than it was ever held by John Kelly. Yet his iron rule is both [illegible] and progressive. He is marvelously tactful and common sense and believes in new blood and young men. "Tammany has got to keep good men to the fore," said he the other day, "or the public will have none of it. The people are mightier than any [illegible] body, even than one so strong as Tammany."

And what a marvelous career this man has had! Twenty years ago he could hardly [illegible] [illegible], he says, and today he is worth [illegible] million and has invested in the past year and a half or two years nearly [illegible] of that sum in racing stables, blooded [illegible] and [illegible] property. Not only that, but he has within a year somewhat of a [illegible] and has adopted or resurrected a special and appropriate coat of arms. The [illegible] is "God fend them"—a very good motto.

From a [illegible] to a fire commissioner, a [illegible], and now at the head of the greatest political organization of its kind in the world, is quite a rise, but Mr. Croker has sense enough not to let it turn his head. He has completely lived down the shadow that sullied his name by the killing of McKenna some 20 years ago. Indeed it is now claimed by his friends that he did not fire the fatal shot at all. The trouble took place on election day at Thirty-fourth street and Second avenue.

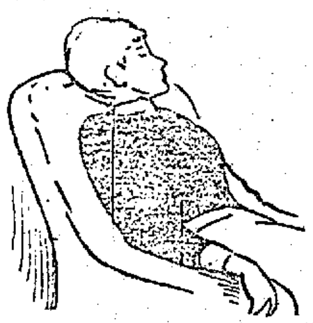
A political fight was raging between Abraham Hewitt and James O'Brien, who were pitted against each other in the race for congress. Croker was an advocate of Mr. Hewitt [illegible] hard for his election, and [illegible] having been reported that O'Brien [illegible] [illegible] the Hewitt [illegible] determined to stop it [illegible] the polls [illegible] words between O'Brien [illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible]. Croker was tried, but [illegible], believing, convinced [illegible] [illegible]. It is still on [illegible].

Mr. Croker as a Writer.

[illegible] Mr. Croker came to [illegible] the North American Review [illegible]. A talented young journalist [illegible] Mr. Croker at the [illegible] if he would supply an article [illegible] Tammany Hall and its policy at [illegible]. Mr. Croker pleasantly refused, [illegible] the young newspaper man engaged [illegible] for some time. He [illegible] prepared a long article in defense of Tammany, and after having it [illegible] presented it to Mr. Croker and asked him if it met his views. The Tammany chieftain was pleased with the article and was free to say so. "Then," said the young journalist, "why will you [illegible]?"

The Tammany chieftain revised the paper carefully and finally put his name to it with some reluctance. It was then taken to the editor of The Review. A check for [illegible] was tendered Mr. Croker, but he [illegible] [illegible] and also gave his check for $100 to the young man who had defended Tammany so well.

Which is the better, something or nothing? This depends. When it stimulates, it is of use; when it enervates, it is mischievous. The young man who prefers idleness above an unpleasant job, seeing that he has a dollar or two in his pocket, is in danger.



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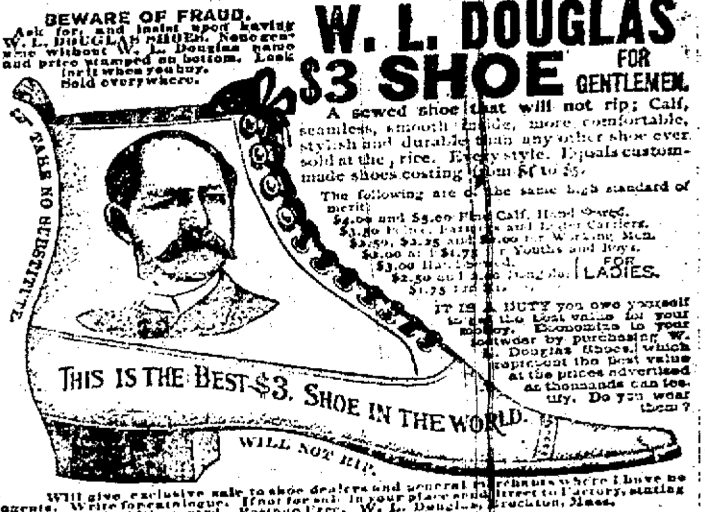

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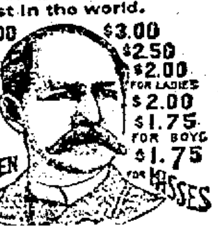

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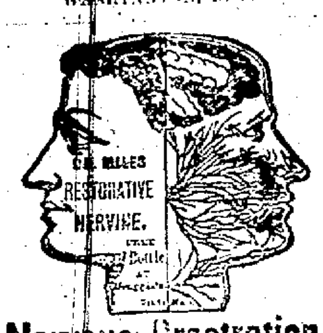

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TRAVELERS GUIDE.

TIME TABLE WESTERN NEW YORK PENNSYLVANIA

In effect July 5, 189[illegible].

Trains leave Smethport for Larrabee, Eldred, Olean, Bradford, Rochester and Buffalo as follows:

BUFFALO EXPRESS.........9:05 A. M.
BUFFALO MAIL..........2:31 P. M.

Train leaving Smethport at 2:31 p. m. connects at Eldred with B. & K. for Bradford, at Olean with River Division for Allegany, Salamanca, Oil City and Pittsburg.

For Clermont, Johnsonburg, and points south:

CLERMONT MAIL.........7:12 A. M.
CLERMONT ACCOMMOD'N......12:20 P. M.
LOCAL..........7:0[illegible] P. M.

Clermont Mail connects through to Johnsonburg.

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TIME TABLE IN EFFECT MAY [illegible].

Stations: Bradford; Kinzua Junction; Aiken; Davis; Simpson; Ormsby; Smethport; Mt. Jewett; Kane; Clarion; Spring Creek; Sheffield; Watson; Marienville; Clarion; Foxburg; Parker; Petrolia; [illegible]; Allegheny. [illegible]

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Superintendent.

Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway

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On and after June [illegible], 189[illegible], passenger trains leave Bradford and Mt. Jewett, daily except Sunday, as follows:

LEAVE BRADFORD—EAST BOUND.

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[illegible] p. m.—Buffalo Express—Sundays only. For [illegible], Carrollton, Salamanca, Ellicottville, Springville, Colden and Buffalo.

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[illegible] a. m.—Accommodation—For Johnsonburg, Ridgway, Brockwayville, DuBois and Punxsutawney.

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COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY Railroad Time Table, takes effect Monday, July [illegible], 189[illegible].

Stations: Coudersport; Pine Creek Jc.; Hammond; Fish Boxes; Olmsted; Mina; Knowlton; Roulette; Burtville; Coleman; Port Allegany. [illegible]

PINE CREEK DIVISION.

Stations: Coudersport; Pine Creek Junction; Fate Grounds; Ladona; Sweden Valley. [illegible]

Trains run on eastern standard time.

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PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE. In effect Nov. 16th, 189[illegible].

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION.

EASTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 4, daily except Sunday, for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., New York [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m. Pullman Parlor car through from Williamsport and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 6, daily except Sunday, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., New York [illegible] a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

[illegible] p. m.—Train [illegible], daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia [illegible], New York [illegible] a. m. [illegible] Pullman [illegible] from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia [illegible] Washington [illegible].

WESTWARD.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 1, daily except Sunday, for Ridgway, Dubois, Clermont and intermediate stations. Leaves Ridgway [illegible] p. m. for Erie.

[illegible] a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and intermediate stations.

[illegible] p. m.—Train 11, daily except Sunday, for Kane and intermediate stations.

THROUGH TRAINS FOR EMPORIUM JUNCTION FROM THE EAST AND SOUTH.

Train [illegible] leaves Renovo [illegible] a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Jc. [illegible] a. m.

[illegible] leaves Philadelphia [illegible] a. m., Washington [illegible] a. m., Baltimore [illegible] a. m., Wilkesbarre [illegible] a. m., daily except Sunday, arriving at Emporium Junction [illegible] p. m. with Pullman Parlor car from Philadelphia to Williamsport and passenger coaches to Kane.

Train 3 leaves New York [illegible] p. m., Philadelphia [illegible] p. m., Washington [illegible] p. m., Baltimore [illegible] p. m., daily arriving at Emporium Junction [illegible] a. m., with Pullman Palace sleeping cars from Philadelphia to Erie and from Washington and Baltimore to Williamsport and passenger coaches from Philadelphia to Erie.

JOHNSONBURG RAILROAD.

Daily except Sunday.

Stations: Ridgway; Johnsonburg; Glen Hazel; Straight; [illegible]; Smith's Run; Wilcox; Clermont. [illegible]

Connections are made with train [illegible] leaves Emporium at [illegible] a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at [illegible] p. m.; at Ridgway with train 6, leaving Ridgway at [illegible] p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

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